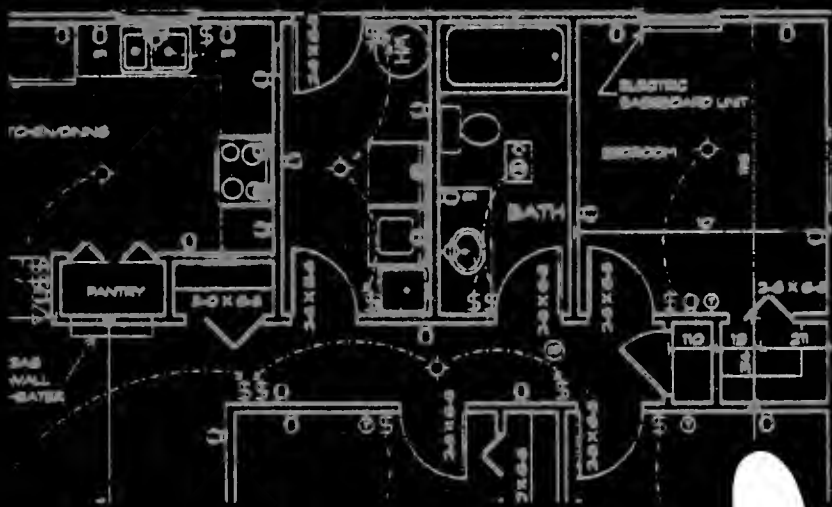


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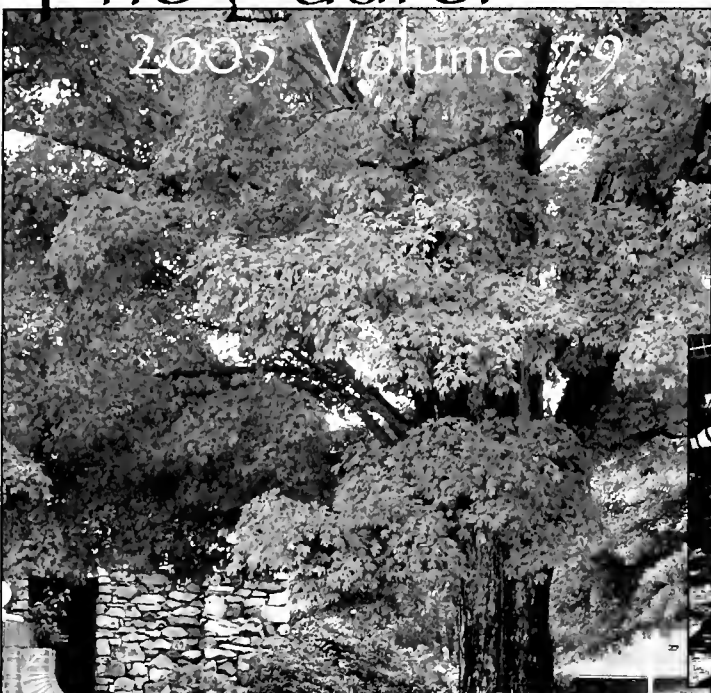






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MARS HILL COLLEGE
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Travis Michaels takes time to relax before class while enjoying the beauty of the quad

from blueprints to pawprints

"When I first came to Mars Hill, I left my family 3½ hours behind. But God provided me a family of great friends. Mars Hill is truly a home away from home," said Johnny Brown.

There really is no place like home. Yet when it comes to leaving the comfort of your own for four years, Mars Hill College is a substitute that becomes close to the real thing. Founded in 1856, Mars Hill sits perfectly in the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina. Even if the mountains are what intrigued one to become a Lion, the people could be what had them hooked. With a name based on Acts 17:22, when Paul was speaking to the Athenians in the midst of Mars Hill, the Baptist affiliated organizations and Christian clubs were

a highlight to many. The Refuge, which started out this year, jumped from a blueprint to a real event and became a weekly success. Plans for a brand new dormitory behind Gibson Hall were in the making and aimed for breaking in May.

With 448 incoming freshmen and transfer students, accommodations had to be met for the biggest group of new students in 23 years. Where to apply to college? What classes to take? Who to become friends with? are all of the preparations leading up to these new student's blueprints becoming pawprints, mountain lion pawprints.

As always, God was changing hearts and molding dreams; futures were taken from sketches and turned into reality.



Smiling Faces



Gateway Orientation

When the freshmen arrive on campus they realize the adventure that they've embarked upon. This is the time when new memories occur: the change from high school to college, living at home to becoming independent in a dorm room setting, etc. The list will go on when it comes to a new journey that your're embarking upon. The Gateway staff not only helped the freshmen move into their dorms, but also planned activities for them to mingle. The social mixer, along with other activities let the freshman interact with others their first few days at college. What an experience!

Right: Jamie Ballance, director of Student Activities and Nina Gilliam, a senior hang out at the Welcome Back Dance.



Above: Matt Davis and Erica Pace are taking a water break after moving in countless freshmen.



Right: Courtney Evans, Matt Wilson, and Jamie Ballance help move in one student during Gateway Orientation. The Gateway Staff is a group of upper-classmen that help freshmen move in.

Below: Guys take a break outside from the Social Mixer in the Loft. The Social Mixer gave the students a time to hang out and meet new faces.



Below: Melena Denton posed for an Old Fashion photograph during the Welcome Back Dance



Left: Jamie Ballance, Michael Fisher, Rebeka Nelms, and Erica Pace are helping out with the Campus Crawl. They provided snacks for one of the stops on the scavenger hunt.



Above: Natalie Byard and Beverly Lunsford help freshmen with the registration information on move-in day.



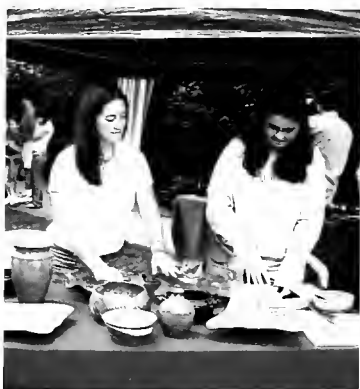
Below: The Step Team performed some of their moves at the Welcome Back Dance held at the Wren Patio.

Above: Girls pose for a picture at the Social Mixer. This was a time when friendships began to grow.

Lunsford Festival: Celebrating Our Heritage

Mars Hill College has celebrated the Bascom Lamar Lunsford Festival for 37 years. It all started in 1928 when Bascom Lamar Lunsford began collecting and playing traditional music from the Western North Carolina region. Mars Hill College hosts the festival on the first weekend of October. People come from all over the region and even from out-of-town. Many MHC alumni come to enjoy all the festivities.

The festival provides something for all ages. Many campus organizations have booths with face painting, hot dogs, baked goods, and pottery. Local vendors from Madison County sell things like artwork, wood-carved signs, honey, purses, and hand-knitted blankets.



Above: Students sell their own handmade pottery.

Right: Bailey Mountain Cloggers, twelve-time National Champions, performed a selection from their "Chicago" show during the Lunsford Festival.





Left. Students and locals from all around the area came to see the various booths that sold items such as handmade jewelry.



Above: Mary Kathryn Lyerly, a member of Alpha Psi Omega, sold caramel apples.



Left: The fans, along with the band, cheered and enjoyed the football game.

MHC Annual Talent Show

The annual talent show gives MHC students an opportunity to show off what they do best. The Loft was packed with students watching and cheering on the performers. Twelve different acts competed against one another this year. The acts ranged from a solo dramatic monologue to an entire stage full of "steppers." Among the acts were two returning performers, Donia Paynes and Dane Peterson, better known as DP.

Deciding the winners was a difficult task for the five student judges. Andrew Barlow took first place with a near-flawless performance on the drums.

For the third year in a row the talent show was a success. Thanks goes out to everyone who performed and everyone who came to watch. See you next year.



Above: The talent show winners were determined by student judges.

Right: David Fields played the guitar and sang during the talent show.





Left Andrew Barlow blew everyone away with his solo on quad drum percussions. He took first place



Left Michael Fisher took second place singing an amazing version of Luther Vandross's "Always and Forever"



Left: Herdi Kulas came in third with her winning smile and foot skills performing a traditional Celtic dance.



Left. The band Fullstack took 4th place overall playing Jimi Hendrix's "Voodoo Lady "

Below: The Steppers put on a great show, like always.



Left: Donia Paynes started off the night with singing a song "a cappella" that went out to a special girl in his heart.

Right: The Delta Zeta girls held a banner showing their MHC pride.



Below: The Mars Hill College Cheerleaders place their banner on a firetruck.



Above: The MHC Band started the parade with one of their lively numbers.



Left: President Dan Lundsford and his wife rode in high style.



Above: Cosmo, Mars Hill College's mascot, is ready to be Homecoming King.

Home...coming Parade

Homecoming would not be the same without the parade making it's way down Highway 213. This year's parade put everyone in the Homecoming spirit. Every organization participated by creating floats based on the theme of "There's No Place like Home...coming."



Above: Delta Kappa Theta sits in their "home" during the parade.

Left: Gamma and the Wicked Witch of the West rode in their purple and green float.

R U READY?.. IT'S TIME FOR.... **LION'S GROWL!**

Lion's Growl is one of the most anticipated events of homecoming here at Mars Hill College. Students gathered with friends and family to enjoy the spirit-filled entertainment. With a new mascot and several new faces amongst the competing groups the crowd was in for an exciting night.

The Cheerleaders, of course, opened the night with their routine. They danced and performed lifts and tosses. To end their show, the team surfed on human surf boards to the musical stylings of the Beach Boys' "Surfing USA."

Fraternities and sororities designed their own skits to fire up the crowd. Delta Kappa Theta won the skit contest with their hilarious rendition of Charlie advancing through the challenges Willy Wonka set out for him, including the robot fight scene from the movie *Eurotrip*. Delta Zeta had a bad dream, Theta Chi put Willy Wonka and his oompahloompahs in their place, and Zeta Chi Theta showed off their club moves.

Also showing off their moves, the dance team solemnly entered the stadium in their white choir robes; each member held a miniature candle. Before long the robes were torn off and the ladies took the spot light. The Bailey Mountain Cloggers were a crowd favorite, as always. The night ended with a vibrant fireworks show.



Above: This sisterhood let the crowd know that they were in the house. MHC baby!



Above: The sisters of Delta Zeta put on a show for the crowd. Shown here are those who portrayed the Bears of Lenoir-Rhyne. The bears were sadly mistaken in the skit to believe that they would win homecoming. The Lion's showed 'em who's boss.





Below: Featured here are a few of the male cloggers. The team lit up the night with their fiery performance



Above: The football team rose to their feet to cheer during the events that filled the night.

Left: Good old Cosmo, the best college mascot in the state.



Left: The MHC Cheerleaders took to the field to give their fellow students and supporters an energy-packed show



Left: Jamie Evans shone with lion spirit during Lion's Growl. She dressed as a scare crow for her part in the Ladies Of Distinction's (LOD) skit.

Homecoming Court 2004

The Homecoming Court is elected by fellow classmates. The freshman, sophomore, and junior classes each chose a boy and a girl. The seniors chose four boys and four girls from which the whole student body chose a king and queen. Last year's queen, Denisha Kirk, right, rode with SGA President Ben Talcott, in this year's homecoming parade.



Freshman Representatives:
Shane Stevenson
and Candace Alarcon



Sophomore Representatives:
Andrew Barlow
and Courtney Evans



Junior Representatives:
Brian Danforth
and Lillie Hughes



Senior Representatives:
Matt Dills and Joy Britton



Homecoming King and Queen: Antjuan Welch & Joy Britton



Senior Representatives:
Brian Carlstrom,
standing in for Antjuan Welch,
and Amber Waters



Senior Representatives:
Matt Davis
and Heidi Smith



Senior Representatives:
Matt Wilson
and Nina Gilliam

Right: Tyrea and Keevon Allen just catching up.

Below: Caught a quick picture with brothers
Blayne and Dwayne Parton in the caf.



Right: Roommates and sisters in faith,
Darrah Renfroe and Kristen Newton



Above: Brothers Joesph and Johnny Brown are just
hanging out.

Relationships:

blueprints that we
build our lives upon.

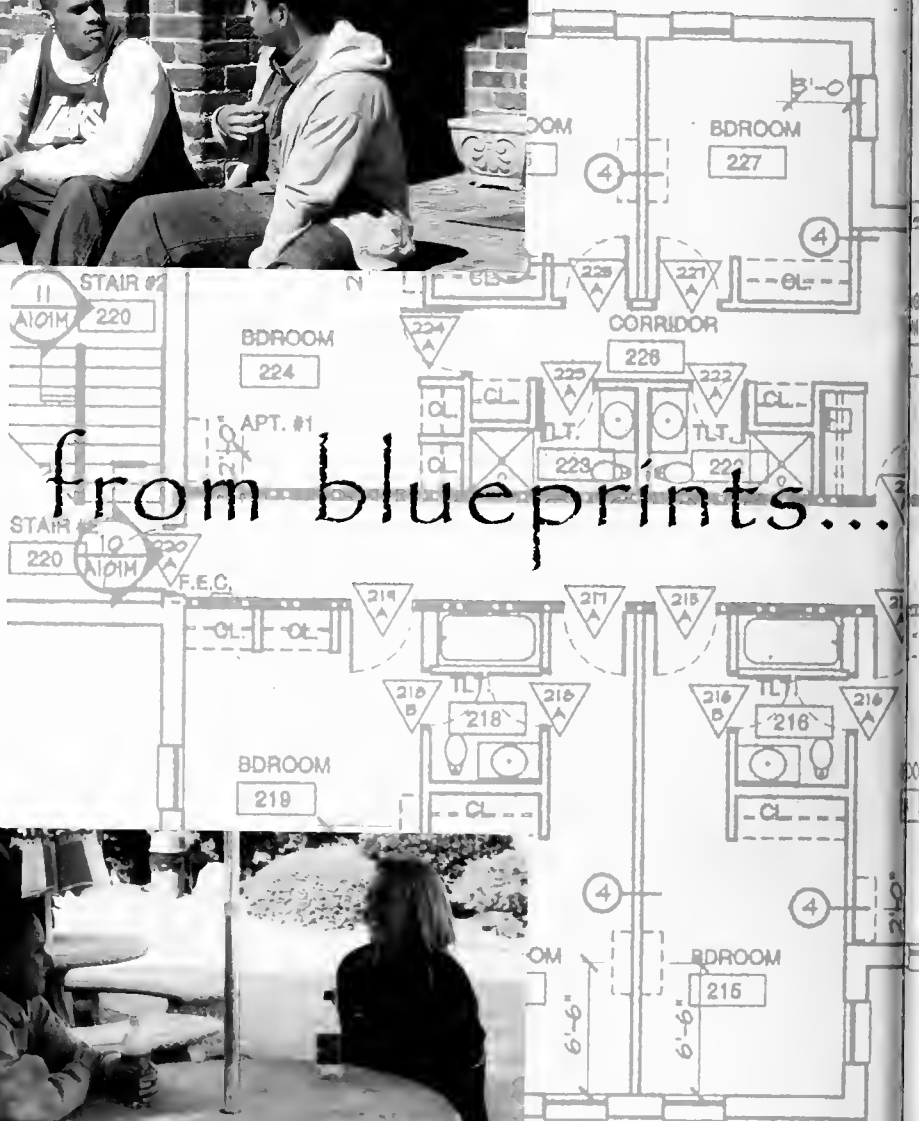
Some say you make the best friends in college, ones you can't imagine life without and that make it all worthwhile. They're the friends that make homesickness a feeling of the past, they care and seem to say the exact thing you need to hear, and they comfort you when you're sick.

Siblings are another story. Sometimes we don't consider them to be our "friends." Yet when college rolls around, the things that used to be annoying may

turn into something you might even miss...maybe. The thought of living so far away from them can put the relationship into prospective. Yet when the college of choice is the same for both, siblings do not get away from each other. An upperclassman could have had such an enlightening experience at Mars Hill that persuaded the younger brother or sister to attend also. Many live together and the relationship can grow quickly from siblings, to friends.



Above: Having their own mini-ice cream social are Mia Terry, Leandra Timbers, Terri Edley, Jasmine Young, Peaches Little



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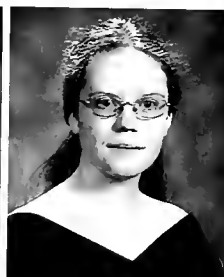
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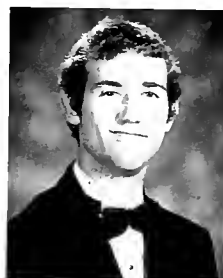
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*Carson
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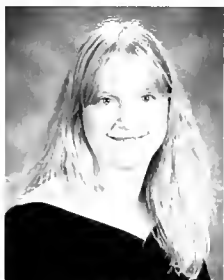
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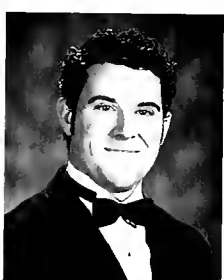
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*Ryan
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*Sarah
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*Stacy
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*Erica
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*Sarah
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*Anthony
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*Matthew
Powers*



*Benjamin
Rice*



*Jason
Rietman*



*Keith
Roberts*



*Joanna
Robinson*



*Theo
Schleuder*



*Heather
Shelton*



*Brian
Smith*



*Heidi
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*Leigh Anne
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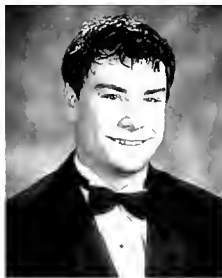
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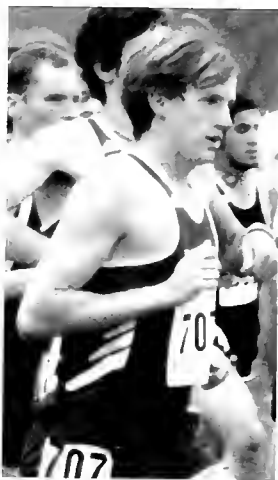


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Nancy Ammons



Andrea Bailey
Susan Beane
Megan Brand
Rachelle Brockway
Helen Brown



Johnny Brown
Holly Buff
Danielle Buice
Gaelyn Byrnes
Charlie Caldwell



Caty Carpenter
Karie Cooksey
Amber Cope
Brian Danforth
Derrick Everhart



Nicholas Felts
Jay Gillie
Katie Gobel
Jennifer Graves
Natasha Harrison





Valerie Hobbs
Courtney Hollifield
Brandy Howell
Lillie Hughes
Laura Jackson



Albert Jessurum
Holly Johnston
Brooke Kay
Chris Kennedy
Hannah Kowalczyk



Laura LaFrancis
Cathy Jo Lewis
Emmanuel Makali
Denise McKillop
Carla Meador



Megan Mercereau
Megan Metts
Jason Miller
Allen Moutrie
Megan O'Kelley



Desiree Otis
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Krystal Pearson
James Phelan

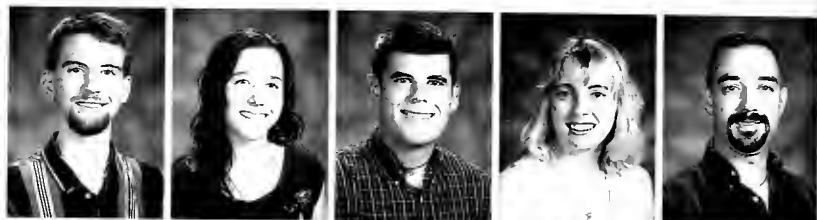


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Derrick Stevenson



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 Rachell Banks
 Andrew Barlow
 Keeley Beasley
 Philip Briggs



Stephanie Brown
 Sheena Camp
 Apple Castelow
 Amanda Clark
 Ben Clymer



Jennifer Cross
 Stephanie DeLoach
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 Immanuel Elliott
 Armando Estrella



Jamie Evans
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 Desiree Findell
 Michael Fisher
 Cody Frady



Mary Margaret Fulk
 Anne G'Fellers
 Kim Griggs
 Blake Hart
 Tavarus Hill



Casey Leamy
 Rebekah Ludlow
 Ashley Matheson
 Ashley Money
 Carenthus Payne



Cody Reynolds
 Gregory Robel
 Bentley Rogers
 Suzie Ross
 Tiffany Self



-Class of 2007-



Melissa Snyder
Jessica Swafford
Lee Swanson
Holly Tomlin
Kasey Tramwell

Kristie Vance
David Vroom
Crystal Webb
Andrew Wiegatz

-Class of 2008-



Tyrea Allen
Bethany Bagwell
Camilla Bahr
Rebecca Barker
Stephanie Barnes



Jaclyn Bowen
Katy Branch
Heather Brooks
Rocky Bull
Amy Cason



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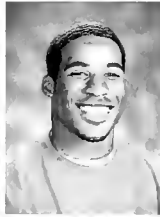
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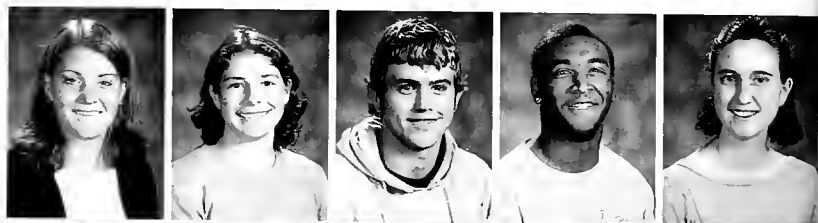


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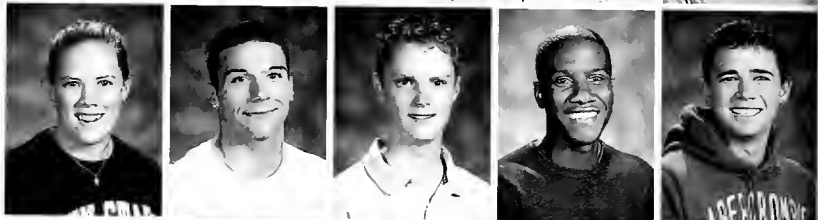


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Darius Kelly
Megan Kelly



Christine Killian
Michael Koch
Matt Kupstas
Nick Landers
Channing Lankford



Ashley Lear
Shannon Lee
Shaina Lewis
Brick Lewistonn
Peaches Little



Adam Lockamy
Kalah Lunsford
Carlee Macon
Matt Mastin
Jarvis Mathis



Andy McCall
Hannah McGinnis
Cherish McHone
Heidi Miller
Megan Morgan



Kristen Newton
Felisha Nix
Angela Nugent
Cameron O'Sullivan
Joel Oliver





Kristina Osborn
Elizabeth Ravel
Laura Reed
Darrah Renfro
Cassandra Rising



Nicole Robinson
Jordan Scruggs
Kelley Sherlin
Pamela Sherwood
Whitney Simmoms



Ryan Smith
Ginger Staten
Lindsey Stewart
Sarah Stringer
Travis Sullens



Derick Tharpe
William Thompson
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Jenna Towle



Mallory Trasport
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Alex Welsh



Miley White
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Patrick Willis



Education

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Art

Scott Lowery, Rick Cary, Jane Renfro, Phil Murray



Religion/Philosophy

Matt Baldwin, Kathy Meacham, Marc Mullinax



Political Science

George Perry and Larry Stern



Modern Foreign Language

Greg Clemmons, Bob Kramer, Gordon Hinners



Business Adminstration

Wilma Carlisle, Ted Berzinski, Grainger Caudle, Jim Utterback, Joe Blair, Sam Bingham, Paul Smith, Janet Bingham Not Pictured: Ryan Pickens, Bobby Nicholson

Faculty



Social Work

Beth Vogler (Not pictured Julie Nooe and Cherry Saenger)



English

Hal McDonald, Virginia Bower, Carol Boggess, Jason Pierce
(Not pictured Noel Kinnamon and Joanna Pierce)



Natural Sciences

Cott Pearson, Sam Boggess, Alan Smith, Jo Ann Croom, Frank Quick, Jerome May, and William White (Not Pictured: Kimberly DeReamer, Micheal Hodges, Robin Kennel, Cindy Lentz, Joel Aoffat, Allan Shelley)



Fashion and Interior Merchandising

Brenda Russell and Becky Cody



History

Kathy Newfont, Phyllis Smith, Jim Lenburg



Math and Computer Science

(Back Row) Harry Hughes, Ben Kearns, (Middle Row) Donald Russell, Gordon Roberts, Marty Gilbert, (Front Row) Jennifer Rhinehart, Sarah Butrum, Stefan Howard



Theater Arts

Neil St. Clair, Dewitt Tipton, Bill Gregg, and Richard Seagle



Music

Robin Garner, Joel Reed, Doug Gordon, Jim Sparrow, Paula Corley, and Al Corley (Not Pictured: Cathy Adkins, Julie Fortney, Cynthia Perkins, Carolyn Lamberson, Brian Tinkel)



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Water Stroud, Ray Cook, and Yael Baldwin



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and President Dan Lunsford



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Leslie Anderson



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Gwen Metcalf, Lou Miller, David Greer Front row: Amanda
Orders, Aaron Slate, Susan Bryson, Denisha Kirk



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Meyrtle Martin, and Donna Banks



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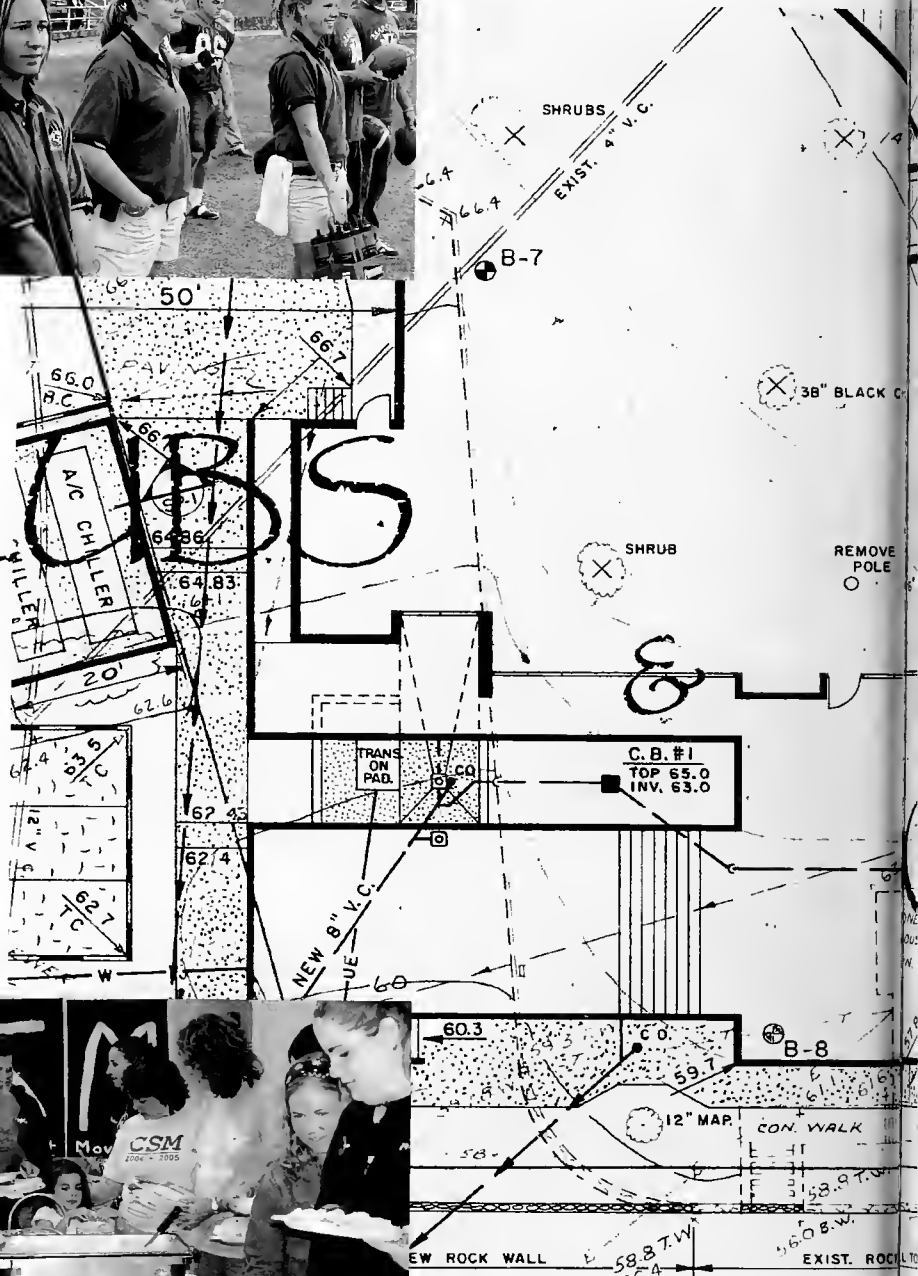


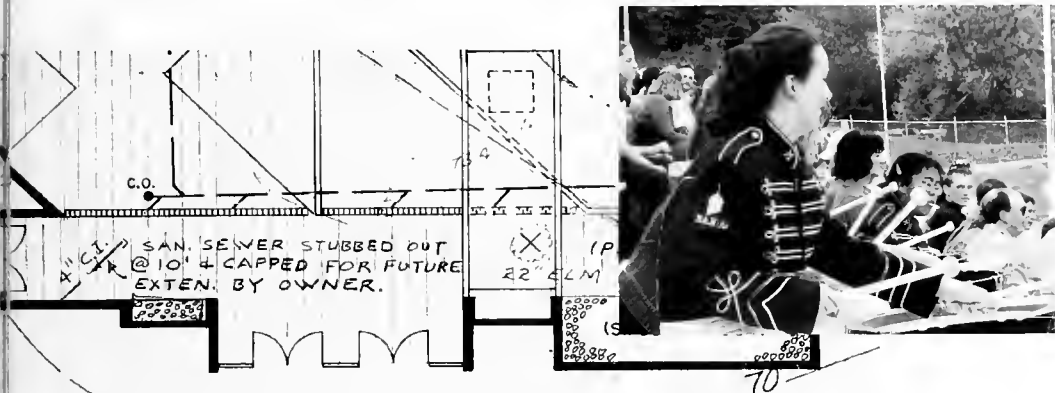
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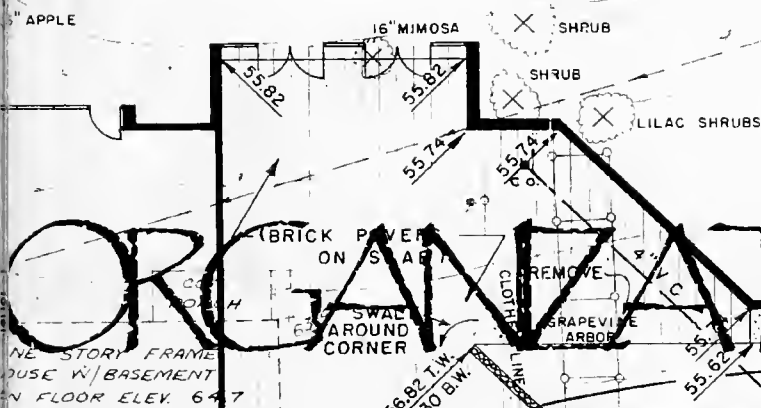




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Above: Just hanging out!

Right: Jessie Cyr, Anne, G'Fellers, and MK Lyerly at the Lundsford festival.



Above: Understudies, Anne G'Fellers and MK Lyerly just having some fun!

Below: Helping out Alpha Psi Omega at the Halloween haunted house.



Above: Justin Phaneuf, Noel Barry, and Melena Whittington at the Masquerade Ball.

ALPHA PSI

OMEGA

The Friendly Neighborhood Theatre Fraternity is a National Honors Faternity dedicated to the love of performance and the theatre. This year we have been involved in the Lundsford Festival, the Homecoming Parade (1st Place Winner), and helping out the Mars Hill Theatre Department. We are here to help get everyone involved who has a love of the stage like we do!

Take Wing!



Above: Chris Smith and Jason Aycock advertising the Cake Walk at the Lundsford Festival.



Right: Officers and members, Natasha Harrison, Larry Putnam, Chip Braswell, Tela Simmons, and Chelsey Gaddy pose for a picture.



Above: Getting ready for the Homecoming Parade!

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Sarah Birdsong

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Noel Barry

Webmaster:

Chris Smith



Above: The cast of *The Pirates of Penzance* pose for a picture.



Above: The von Trapp Family smiles for a family portrait.

Back Row (Left to Right): Maria- Laura Dubuission,
Louisa - Myriah Clifton, Captian von Trapp- Josh
Dillingham, Liesl - Leigh Anne Spencer, Friedrich -
Cameron Gregg

Front Row (Left to Right): Brigitta - Ashley Bosonetto,
Marta - Hailey Davis, Gretl- Anna Farlessyost, Kurt- Lucas
Gregg



Above: Donia Paynes (Policeman) receives a great big hug.

Theater Arts

Every year students and members of the community pull together to wow and amaze their audiences. The Theater Arts Department services students majoring in musical theater and theatrical performances. These two combined give the audience a night of fun entertainment. As seen here in *The Pirates of Penzance*, the students gave an honest effort to a top performance. In *The Sound of Music*, the audience was treated to many great vocal performances. The hard work, long hours, and zealous hearts of the performers are what make the shows so great.



Left: Jen Strand (Mabel) and Jason Aycock (Sergeant of Police) give a stunning performance in *The Pirates of Penzance*.



Above: The pirates brandish their swords.



Above: Melena Whittington (Reverend Mother) pondering a situation at the Abbey in *The Sound of Music*.

Phi Mu Alpha

Motto: "Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia - devoted to instilling in all people an awareness of all music's important role in the enrichment of the human spirit." The object of this Fraternity shall be for the development of the best and truest fraternal spirit; the mutual welfare and brotherhood of musical students; the advancement of music in America and a loyalty to the Alma Mater.

Sinfonians share a love of music that unites them as brothers with a common interest. The Fraternity teaches men to develop themselves and their art, not for the sake of art itself, but as a means of enriching the lives of others. Through a multitude of chapter, provincial, and national events Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia offers unlimited opportunities for performance, community music outreach, and other activities designed to develop a true appreciation for the power of music to uplift the soul.



Above: Brian Smith, Jason Slaughter, and Derrick Johnson hanging out!



Right: Members of Phi Mu Alpha just chillin' after their meeting.



Left: Phi Mu Alpha guys
volunteering at the College
Choral Festival.



Above: Jason Slaughter
poses for a picture.



Left: Ben Clymer playing
songs on the piano for
the Fraternity.

College Choir



Director: Dr. Joel Reed
Accompaniist: Cathy Adkins
 (not pictured)



College and Chamber Choir Officers:
 President - Megan Brand, Vice President - Andrea Bailey,
 Secretary - Katheryn Stickler, Librarian - Derrick Everhart



Class Representatives:
 Senior - Alicia Hawkins
 Junior - Laura Jackson
 Sophomore - Micheal Fisher
 Freshman - Jesse Ramsey

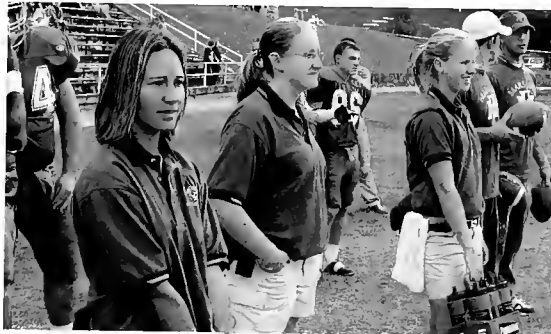
Above: The Mars Hill College Choir's practicing efforts, three days a week during lunch, really pay off. Their audience enjoys a breath-taking experience.

Chamber Choir

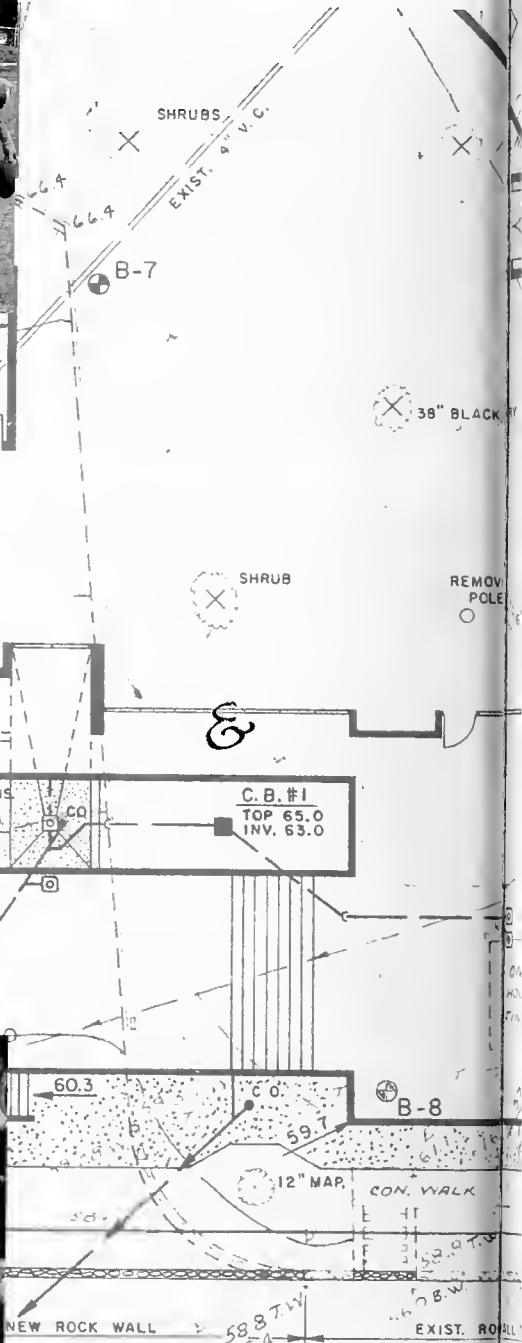


The Mars Hill College Chamber Choir has worked to establish a high level of tradition with their choral music. They worked hard on Handel's *Messiah* which was performed during the Christmas season. The hard work and dedication does not go unnoticed by their audiences, for it is shown through the love and support from the campus and community.





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Student Government Association



Executive Officers:

Treasurer - James Thompson, Vice President - Matt Dills,
President - Ben Talcott, Attorney General - Kyle Morgan,
Chief of Defense - Dane Thompson, Chaplin - Jared Bailey,
Secretary - Calie Uker, Chief Justice - Aday Nizol,
Parliamentarian - Nina Gilliam

Senior Class:

Secretary -
Joy Britton
Vice President -
Bekka Harper
Treasurer -
Chelsea Haines
President -
Phillip Bost





Junior Class:

Secretary / Treasurer -
Helen Brown
Vice-President -
Chelsey Gaddy
President -
Gaelyn Byrnes

Sophomore Class:

Secretary -
Abby DeBusk
Vice President -
Nancie Gruber
President -
Erin McKee



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Freshman Class:

President -
Stephanie Hasty

Campus Activities Board

The Campus Activities Board coordinates a variety of events and activities around campus so every student can find something they enjoy including concerts, dances, homecoming events, hikes, and trips to local attractions.



Above: CAB encourages all campus organizations to help decorate the campus the day of homecoming and sponsor a float in the homecoming parade.

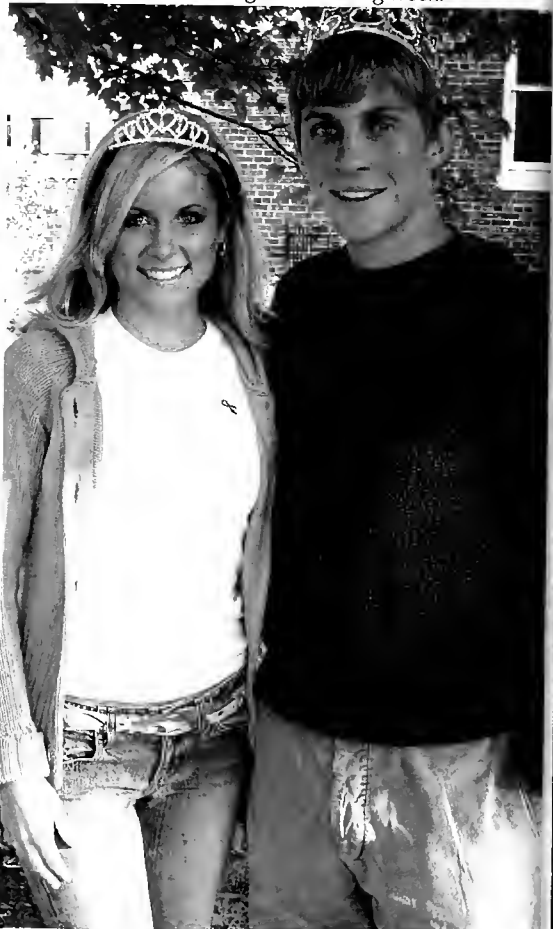
Right: Brandon Jeffs, CAB member, hangs up balloons before the Caf event.



Left: The Mr. and Miss Mars Hill Pageant, sponsored by CAB, allowed students to show their true colors as they competed for the title of Mr. and Miss Mars Hill.



Above: Mary Margaret Fulk and Brandon Jeffs hosted the Lion's Growl during homecoming week.



Mr. & Miss Mars Hill:
Danielle Buice and David Fields



Left: Mary Margret Fulk, CAB member, helps students sign up to win a bike that was raffled off at the Lion's Growl. Meg Currier was the winner.



Above: Nina Gilliam prepares to tie dye her t-shirt.



Left: Jamie Ballance, CAB Director, and Courtney Evans, CAB member, prepare the dye for the tie dying event in front of the Caf



Above: Boys bond during a Caf event, a concert sponsored by CAB.



Above: CAB sponsors and decorates the homecoming float every year.



Above: Spin art was also a success at the Caf event.



Below: Lead singer of West Sound serenades students while they eat in the Caf.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes

Fellowship of Christian Athletes is where athletes come to worship, fellowship, and learn more about God. As athletes, "We believe that our sport is our platform to share Jesus Christ." -Dane Thompson

Leadership Team: Dane Thompson, Antonyo Douglas, Danille Voss, Tessa Ashwell, and Cameron Dean

Worship Leaders: Joel Moffatt and Marty Gilbert

Advisor: Coach Barnette



Above: The FCA leaders take time to create the letters with their bodies.

"He must increase, I must decrease." John 3:30



Above: FCA members come together every Thursday night at 8:30pm in the Blue Lounge.

Right: Scott Ryan from Crossroads Ministries came to speak. FCA provides a variety of speakers throughout the year.





Above: Leaders provided the worship for the group. FCA is a group that believes in praising God with songs.



Left and below: Students worshipping and praising God.



"Jesus said, I am the Way, the Truth, and the Light, no one comes to the Father except through me." John 14:6

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Food, Laughter, and Serving Him

It started with food, without fail, every Tuesday. The stomachs were filled, then hearts were filled with the Word of the Lord. Area churches voluntarily made and served food for the students who ached for a home-cooked meal. Many meals, like barbeque, Mexican food, breakfast, pizza...the list goes on, were thoroughly enjoyed. Whether it was a pastor or representative from the church, staff or faculty member, or a student, the speaker touched important topics pertaining to students' lives.

The New Beginning Singers (NBS) never failed to bring smiles to peoples' faces. They visited nursing homes, hospitals, churches and prisons and sang about God's amazing love. Their talent did not stop there; interpretive movements and drama were thrown into the mix to create a worship service.

NBS inherited their name from 2 Corinthians 5:17, stating that they are new creations in Christ. Mission work takes place annually in places like Indiana, Florida, and North Carolina.

Baptist Student Union conventions are a highlight during the year. The weekend retreats give them a chance

to have fellowship with other Christians around the state, while learning and growing in their walk.

While many attend retreats, some members of CSM were busy leading them. The Journey Team traveled around and led church services, renewal retreats, and various other activities needed.



Above: While circling up to pray, announcements were made and thanks were given to the church which supplied the meal.



Above: Every Sunday night at 7:30, heavenly sounds can be heard from the chapel as the New Beginning Singers practice and have their devotion, led by an NBS member.



Above: There were four different characters in the "Princess" skit, but Susan Beane and Kathryn Hall were good enough to cover the parts by themselves.



Above: The CSM Council knows how to work hard, plan Tuesday meetings, and let loose.



Above: After the prayer, CSM members sporadically chose where to start the line to get food



Above: Kristen Newton brought a friend to join her at the second annual Hoedown. The Bailey Mountain Cloggers came and taught a few line dances



Above: Andrew Wiegatz, Keith Roberts, Patrick Willis, Jeremy Abbot and Blake Hart enjoy the ride in the stylish CSM float during the Homecoming Parade.

Right: Student leaders Stephanie Brown, Aaron Buchanan, Erica Pace, Aaron Slate, Dwayne Parton, Joanna Robinson, Sierra Hobbs, Courtney McCracken, Dirk Helmling, and Johnny Brown. 29.11 Student Ministries, along with area churches, and student leaders made the Refuge possible.



Below: Kelley Sherlin, Ashlie Rose, and Jamey Johnson wait patiently to hear who the prize of the week will go to.



Above: Erica Pace and Courtney McCracken had the art of flavored coffee and hot chocolate mastered. Each Wednesday from 6-8 pm, free snacks and drinks were offered. Starbucks' business was threatened with the quality coffee served at the Refuge. Rice Krispy treats, Reese's peanut butter cups, pretzels...you want it, they got it, for free.



Left: Forgetting names was not an issue with Stephanie Brown at the door writing name tags. By the first few weeks, Brown could point out and spell anybody's name in the Timberline.

The Refuge

*Challenging and equipping
students to be passionate
followers of Jesus Christ.*

"Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the man who takes refuge in him." -Psalm 34:8. On Wednesday nights the Timberline was overflowing with sweet mocha coffee, even sweeter praise and worship, and great Christian fellowship. Students were given a chance to literally "taste and see" that the leaders care enough to provide food and their time, and then really discover that God is truly good.

Gray and black Refugee t-shirts canvassed the campus as a sure sign that the leadership team was ready and willing to spend the hours needed and the attendees were open to drawing closer to the Lord.

A praise and worship band from Gateway Community Church provided time to "be still and know that he is God" (Psalm 46:10) and lift up their voices in worship.

Dirk Helmling, the leader of 29.11 Student Ministries and powerful speaker at the Refuge, made himself available. God used Dirk each week to impact lives and let students realize what a powerful, loving God we serve. Never was a

message sugar-coated to hide the truth and make students feel good. It was real.

Weekly interviews with a Mars Hill College staff member took place as a chance to dive into their world and put them in the "hot seat." Testimonies, spouse-meeting stories, and job descriptions usually came out on the table before the last and final question was asked. "If God was to silence you for the rest of your life, and you could only say one more thing, to anyone, anywhere, what would it be?" Answers varied, yet each one provided insight that often made you return home thinking what your own last statement would be. Dirk was asked what he would say if his last comment spoken was to the Refuge. His reply, "God is so madly in love with you...and He wants you to know that. When you get it, and I mean really get it, then you'll come to the realization that He's totally worth living for and He's totally worth dying for. He'll go from being the flannel board God to being your Magnificent Obsession."



Above: Fresh out of the "hot seat," President Dan Lunsford poses with Dirk Helmling after getting up close and personal.

Left: Dwayne Parton, Joanna Robinson, and Aaron Slate take a break from preparation to enjoy fellowship.

Honor Scholars

Every year Grayson, Marshbanks, Anderson, Church Leadership, Leo White, and Bonner Scholars go on a retreat before school starts and learn team-building skills. Three different honor scholars retreats are held. Grayson, Marshbanks, and Anderson scholars went to Glory Ridge and then cleared trails on Bailey Mountain. Church Leadership and Leo White scholars went to Sterchi Lodge in Max Patch and remodeled a library at Spring Creek Community Center. Bonner Scholars volunteered at the Swannanoa 4-H Center, Habitat for Humanity, and the community center in Madison County. They did team building activities, including a high ropes course, at the YMCA Blue Ridge Assembly in Black Mountain. Scholars are required to complete various hours of service work within the community in order to keep their scholarships.



Above: Nick Landers, Christa Gaffer, Elizabeth Grubbs, and others help take down a tree blocking a trail on Bailey Mountain.

Right: Jeremy Edwards, Aday Nizol, and other scholars try to untangle themselves while playing the human knot game.



Above: Grayson, Marshbank, and Anderson Scholars gather around for a friendly book discussion.



Above: Scholars sitting around and relaxing after a hard day's work.



Above: Marshbanks, Anderson, and Grayson Scholars take a lunch break after clearing trails on Bailey Mountain



Above: Grayson, Marshbanks, and Anderson scholars pose before clearing trails on Bailey Mountain.



Bonner Scholars worked on team-building skills during their summer retreat.



INSANE STEPPERS IN UNITY

Stepping is a form of African dance that makes rhythmical beats with one's hands and feet. At MHC the Step Team helps raise school spirit and cultural awareness. The team participates in school events such as the Lion's Growl, talent show, Homecoming Parade, and the Campus Christmas Show sponsored by CAB.

Captain:

Becca Sumner

Co-Captain:

Lillie Hughes

Members:

Tessa Ashwell

Mary Margret Fulk

Rodrick Hayward

Queanise Giles

Carenthius Payne

Donia Paynes



Above: Halloween Havoc was a success.



Right: ISU Steppers participated in the Homecoming Parade.

Lionettes

Dance

Team

The Dance Team is in its second year at MHC. With the hard work of its members, the team is becoming a great success on campus. It participates in activities around campus, including the Lion's Growl, Homecoming Parade, the Campus Christmas Show sponsored by CAB, as well as home basketball games. The Dance Team competed for the first time in February, setting another standard of excellence for the team and its members.

The Dance team practices for one of its many performances.

Coach:

Donia Paynes

Captain:

Amber Ponder

Members:

Mary Margret Fulk

Lillie Hughes

Terra Kohl

Ashley Lear

Keisha Francis

Sabrina Early

Sandra Fields

Candace Alarcon

Candice Williams

Megan Mercereau

Sarah Foulter



Left: Drawing a big crowd, the Bailey Mountain Cloggers performed at the Lunsford Festival.

Below: BMC ends their Lion's Growl skit with flair, pumping up the crowd for homecoming.



Above: The cloggers take time out from practicing and performing to pose for a memory.



Above: Holly Tomlin and Jason Aycock performed a high energy dance routine.

Bailey Mountain Cloggers

The Bailey Mountain Cloggers, established in 1974, is an organization at Mars Hill College that helps to preserve the heritage of the Appalachian region. Led by Director Jay Ledford and Captain Ashleigh Stapler, they perform many traditional routines as well as contemporary renditions of clog dance. The Bailey Mountain Cloggers, consisting of forty members, are legacy at Mars Hill, having won twelve national championships and performed throughout the world. In September, twenty members of the team traveled to Ireland to perform in the annual Appalachian and Bluegrass Music Festival. They have also traveled to Austria, Canada, Mexico, Scotland, and England.



Above: A section of cloggers performing at the Lion's Grawl.

Left: BMC poses for a picture on their trip in Ireland.

Mars Hill College Marching Band



Above: A member of the band does his part to get the crowd ready for the big game.



Above: The brass section joins in to play the national anthem before the football game.



Above: Sarah Fowler warms up before the parade.

Left: Andrew Barlow concentrates on his performance.



Left: The band marches down Highway 213 to start the parade.



Above: The band warms up before starting the parade.



Left: Members of the marching band perform the finished product that took weeks of hard work





Right: Kayla Kelley is chilling with Robey Logan.



Left: Big brother Justin Adams hangs out with Jamie Evans from LOD.



Above: A group shot of Ladies of Distinction.



Left: Girls hanging out in the Fox lobby for one of their meetings.

Officers:

President: Joy Britton
 Vice-President: Kayla Kelley
 Secretary: Dwan Alston
 Treasurer: Leandra Timbers
 Historian: Jamie Evans
 Parliamentarian: Chasiti Young



Ladies of Distinction



Above: The girls of Ladies of Distinction wave to the crowd during the Homecoming Parade.

Ladies of Distinction is a women's service organization established in 1989, with the intent to unite African-American women on campus. They later expanded and invited the unity between all women. Ladies of Distinction participates in Homecoming and they also decorate the lockers for the football players that are their Big Brothers. The women in L.O.D. are committed to service to give back to Mars Hill and they all have that one thing.... they are **DISTINCT!**

Active Members:

Candace Alarcon, Queinnese Giles, Marquette Little, Terri Edley, Chasiti Young, Shanika Huggins, Tia Smart, Crystal Davis, Dwan Alston, Kayla Kelley, Joy Britton, Leandra Timbers, Jasmine Young, LaToya Sharpe, Jamie Evans, Leasha Seales, Tamara Washington, Ashley Griffen-Heaton



Above: Girls hanging out during a meeting.



Advisors:

Denisha Kirk and Tiffany Kennedy

Big Brothers:

James Hippolyte, Prince Floyd, Colby Simmons, Greg Jordan, Darryl Clark, Javarous Wilson, Patrick Barry, Joe Ejefor, Shane Stevenson, Keevon Allen, Javarus Walker, George Washington, McArthur Church, Matt Vroom, Larrick Womack, Justin Adams, Rod Dewalt, Issaic Harris, Aaron Chisolm, Brandon Sims, Kirby Lee, LaSaun Miller, JaQuon Winston, Robey Logan, Antoine Jones, Fabian Porter

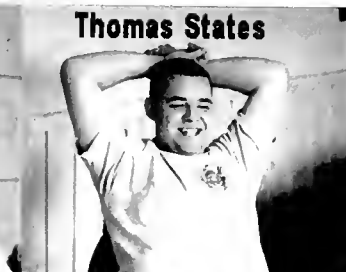
Jay Gillie



Kate Prichard



Thomas States



Keith Watkins



Lisa Castelow



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Josh Boatwright



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Lupe Herrera



Crystal Webb



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Matt Wilson



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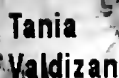


Elizabeth Carlson



Rob Taylor





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The Hilltop

Student Reporting at
<http://hilltop.mhc.edu>



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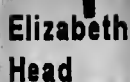
Michael
Wade



Cassie Moore



Matt
Davis



Elizabeth
Head



Dan
Miller



Courtney
Evans

Right: The old and new sisters enjoyed the Chapter Induction and Initiation Ceremonies that took place on April 17, 2004.

Sigma Alpha Jota

The Mars Hill Lambda Beta Chapter of Sigma Alpha Jota was officially installed April 17, 2004. The mission of Sigma Alpha Jota, International Music Fraternity, is to "Encourage, Nurture, and Support the art of music." The current chapter of SAI hosts fifteen members, all founding sisters of the Lambda Beta Chapter. SAI is a music based sorority and all of the girls share this bond of interest. Some of the activities include: service projects that help the community, fund-raising, and helping throughout the music department.

Officers:

President- Traci Corn
Vice-President, Membership-Tiffany Heatherly
Vice-President, Secretary- Megan Brand
Treasurer- Valerie Hobbs
Sergeant at Arms- Megan Mercereau
Editor- Becca Carey
Vice-President, Ritual- Melena Whittington

Left: The Sigma Alpha Jota booth was a hit at Homecoming 2004.

Top row: Andrea Bailey, Megan Brand, and Becca Carey. Bottom row: Rebecca Dellinger, Crystal Klusman, and Traci Corn.





Left The banner was made, the sisters were ready to walk in the parade, and Homecoming 2004 was a success.

Below: Sigma Alpha Iota sisters hanging around in between making beautiful music.





Above (left to right): Nancie Gruber, Patti Denny, and Carling Stepniak stand ready for any task asked of them as student trainers.



Right: Student Trainer Nancie Gruber helps prepare athletes with a good stretch before the game.

ATHLETIC TRAINING... "Keep 'em Healthy."

The Athletic Training program here at Mars Hill College is one of North Carolina's best accredited programs. The mission for the program, as you may have read on the back of their t-shirts, is to keep 'em healthy. Those trained and certified as well as those in training have specific duties to perform each day. Those who are responsible for sports teams spend many hours during the week with the teams. The Athletic Trainers observe the players throughout their training session and administer any

aid that they may need in the event of an injury. When an athlete becomes injured the Athletic Training Staff's primary focus is getting that athlete back in competition safely.

Athletic Training is not a simple major as it requires hours of tedious field and class work. Students are required to record a designated number of hours in the training room as well as with their assigned sports team. Students in this field have to work diligently to complete each week, but as the world has seen, the task is possible.

Left: Student Trainer Leslie Gray dispensing water during a time-out to rehydrate the athletes.



Above: Athletic Training students work steadily as a team during football games to keep the water available and the athletes hydrated

Left: Carling Stepniak distributing water during a brief time-out.



Residential Living



Myers

Tarvus Hill, Aaron Buchanan (RD), William Braid, Antonyo Douglas, Adam Phillips, Antione Jones.

Brown

Calie Uker, Megan Brand, Kristalyn Bunyon, and Laura Jackson. Not pictured: Brandy Beeson (RD) and Alexandra Simons



Turner

Andrew Barlow, Jared Bailey, Jason Miller, Benjamin Tallcott (RD), and Dawson Plimpton



Stroup

Crystal Klusman, Necee Giles, Sarah Fowler, Courtney Evans, Megan Mercereau (RD), Betsy Kite, and Krystal Pearson



Duty Sitters, Door Unlockers, all around Assistants of Residents

Fox

Cathy Jo Lewis , Lilly Hughes (RD),
Danielle Buice, Joy Britton, Sara Paine,
and Katy Carpenter



Gibson

Keith W Roberts (RD), Antjaun Welch, Jeremy
Edwards, and Johnny Brown and Brandon Jeffs



Edna Moore

Mary Margaret Fulk, Ramala Osman, Melena
Denton, Chasiti Young (RD), and Kim Thompson.



Apartments & Townhouses

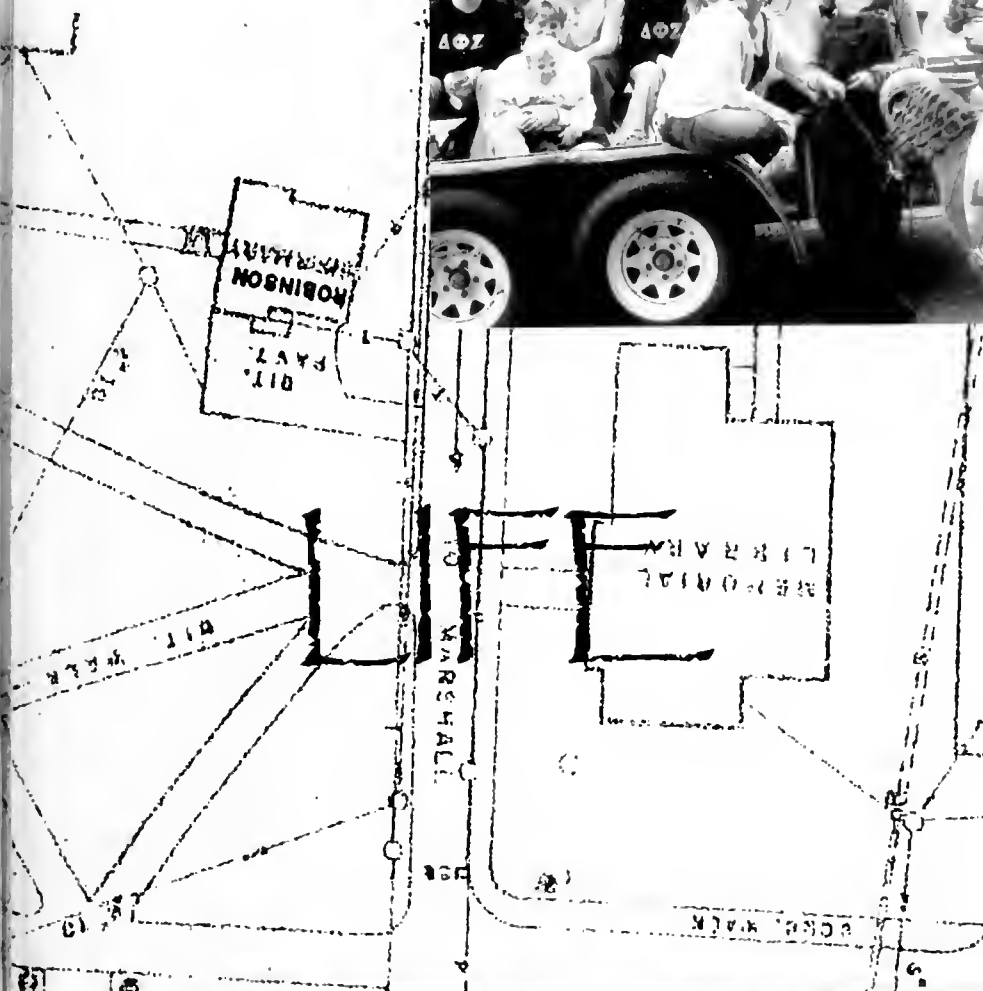
Sierra Hobbs, Dwayne Parton, and Jamie Philips.
Not Pictured: Alisha Baker





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Right: Gary Giles, Brandy Howell, Shenna Camp, and Holly Tomlin pose for a picture at the Lion Growl.

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Below: Andrea Neal, Danielle Buice, and Caty Carpenter dressed up for Haolloween night.



Above: The girls enjoy a night out.

Right: Tania Valdizan and Liz Newton at the Alumni Dinner during Homecoming weekend which is a time that old and new members get to meet each other.



DELTA ZETA

Delta Zeta is currently the only national sorority on campus and has 34 members. Delta Zeta was established in 1902 at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. Their CCD's are Robin Cole and DeAnne Lyda. DZ does fundraisers for different organizations and their philanthropy is for the hearing and speech impaired. They also volunteered at a dance held at Mars Hill Elementary School for the Special Olympics.

Active members: Joy Britton, Tarshie Burrell, Danielle Buice, Natalie Byard, Sheena Camp, Caty Carpenter, Danielle Dickens, Jenna Dixon, Sandra Fields, Brittany Fox, Christa Gaffer, Carolyn Guess, Melissa Harmon, Rebekka Harper, Brandy Howell, Brooke Kay, Nancy King, Hannah Kowalczyk, Bethany Leatherwood, Cathy Jo Lewis, Ebony McGee, Jenny Menard, Andrea Neal, Elizabeth Newton, Jennifer Rogers, Tia Smart, Jennifer Strand, Whitney Stroud, Holly Tomlin, Tania Valdizan, Jackie Wach, Amber Waters, Chasiti Young

Above: Katy Carpenter, Natalie Bayard, Brittany Fox, and Danielle Buice enjoy some time together over break.

Below: The girls of Delta Zeta are dressed up for 80's Night.



Delta Phi Zeta Officers:

President - Bethany Brooks
Vice President of Service -
Bethany Brooks
Vice President of Social -
Sara Randolph
Pledge Mistress - Jill Zirkle
Treasurer and Historian -
Chelsea Haines
Secretary - Alisha Baker
Proud Sister - Carrie Vann



Above: Jill Zirkle and Carrie Vann are caught on a beautiful day.



Above: Alisha Baker, Wendy Roberts (alumni), and Sara Randolph hang out.

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Above: Delta Phi Zeta Sisters prepare their float for the Homecoming Parade.

Delta Phi Zeta

“Friends by chance,
Sisters by choice.”

Delta Phi Zeta, a service / social sorority, was established in 1966. It aims to promote unity through service to Mars Hill College and its surrounding community. Throughout the year, sisters of Delta Phi Zeta rang bells for the Salvation Army, collected food for Manna Food Bank, worked with Helpmate of Madison County and the American Red Cross. They volunteered time on campus to help with the Clothesline Project and voter education for the 2004 Presidential Election. When not in service, the sisters spend much of their time with their Big Brothers and Alumni Sisters.



Above: Sisters just hanging out.



Above: Bethany Brooks, Jill Zirkle, and Sara Randolph celebrating their friendship and sisterhood.

GAMMA CHI EPSILON

Gamma Chi Epsilon, a local sorority on the Mars Hill campus, was founded in 1987. Their colors are purple and green, their mascot is the peacock, and their flower is the violet. Throughout the year, the sisters of Gamma sponsor many events, including a sock hop, the annual Dance for Independence with IXA, the Clothesline Project to raise awareness about domestic violence, and the Homeless Awareness Sleepout. The sisters also spend their time helping Madison County by participating in Make a Difference Day, Relay for Life, and working with the Northwestern Regional Housing Authority. More information about **K** is at www.gammagirlsatMHC.com.



Above: The Gamma girls working together to make posters for Rush Week.



Above: Big Sister and Lil Sister posing for a picture.



Left: **K** and Sigma washing a car together at their car wash fundraiser.



Below: Helping out the freshmen on Gateway move-in day.



Left: Relaxing on their float for the Homecoming Parade after spending all night making it

Officers

President – Nina Gilliam
 Vice Preident – Hillary Hunter
 Secretary – Auti Massey
 Treasurer – Sara Craig
 Chaplain – Christy Datey
 Historian – Noel Barry
 Big Brother Chair – Lesley Ladd
 Pledge Mistress - Chelsey Gaddy
 Activities Chair - Tela Simmons
 Parliamentarian – Sandra Johnson

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Above: Nina Gilliam and Chelsey Gaddy dressed up for Gamma's Coyote Ugly Rush Event.

Left: Getting ready to perform their skit at the Lion's Growl.



Above: Kim Thompson and Bekah Ludlow smile for the camera with their masculine look.



Above: Heather Debty, Carla Meador, Bekah Ludlow, and Holly Johnston pose for a quick picture.

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Above: Heather Debty, Carla Meador, and Rachelle Brockway share a sister moment at the Lion's Growl.



Above: Rachelle Brockway and Melena Denton are sisters that are there for each other.

Iota Chi Alpha

Iota Chi Alpha is a Christian sorority that was founded on the Mars Hill Campus on February 14, 1984. The purpose of this organization is to set a Christian example in service and sisterhood. This year the sisters have participated in many different activities both on and off campus. Some of the service projects and activities the sisters have been involved in this year include a Dorm Storm for Tri-County Pregnancy Center, prepared dinner for the Christian Student Movement's FLASH, chaperoned youth for Enka Baptist Church's 5th Quarter, and raised money for Our Voice. Other activities the girls hold annually are rush and pledge seasons, and Big Brother week.

Officers:

President - Kim Thompson
Vice President - Carla Meador
Secretary - Holly Johnston
Treasurer - Becca Sumerel
Chaplin - Bekah Ludlow
Pledge Mistress - Heather Debty
Big Brother Chairperson and Historian - Melena Denton
Social Chairperson and Parliamentarian - Rachelle Brockway



Above: Becca Sumerel and Carla Meador get together at the Lion's Growl to savor the moment.



Above: IXA sisters pose for a group shot.



Above: Erin Bennett and Megan McCauley are just hanging out and having a good time.

Right: Beware!!! Close up shot of Erin Bennett and So Young Kim.



Officers:

President - Erin Bennett
 Vice President -
 Catherine Hunt
 Secretary - Ramala Osman
 Treasurer - Jennifer Cross
 Pledge - So Young Kim

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Above: So Young Kim smiles as she sports one fine looking bandana while preparing for a social.



Above: The Sigma girls cheered on So Young Kim at the Mr. and Mrs. Mars Hill Pageant.

SIGMA ALPHA CHI

Throughout the year, Sigma Alpha Chi has many service projects and fundraisers. In the fall, Sigma sponsored an annual Rock-A-Thon in front of McDonalds in Weaverville where the sisters rock in rocking chairs for 12 consecutive hours, sometimes in freezing temperatures, and take donations to fund the Ronald McDonald House. In the spring, Sigma also conducted a Swing-A-Thon to benefit the Children's Miracle Network. Here the girls swing for 12 hours at Wal-Mart in Asheville, raising money while having a great time. Other events throughout the year include car washes, raffle sales, and BooGram sales at Halloween.



Above: Megan McCauley and Ramla Osman at the loft for the Mr. and Mrs. Mars Hill Pageant.



Above: A group shot of Sigma's 2004 Fall Pledges.

Below: Lounging around and enjoying time with the Sisters of Sigma.



Active Members include Alicia Chester, Jhane Zarghami, and Megan McCauley.



Above: It's a panoramic view as brothers and pledges of DKT gather for a picture in front of thier townhouse. Alumni are a big part of Delta Kappa Theta's homecoming.

Right: Past and present brothers get together to celebrate a good time. Rose Queen Abby Debusk gets in on the fun too!



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Right: DKT proved that there is no place like Home... Coming by not even leaving their townhouse!



DELTA KAPPA THETA

Delta Kappa Theta is a local service/social fraternity that was established in 1973. Affectionately known as "the gentlemen on campus," the brothers participate in many service projects and social activities on campus. The brothers have the tradition of hosting the Red Cross Blood drive, during the spring and fall semester. Delta Kappa Theta also volunteers with other community organizations such as Manna Food Bank. During the fall semester, the fraternity hosts their annual date auction, where the cutest brothers and the prettiest girls on campus are put on the auction block. For the spring semester the brothers also host the popular Greek Goddess. In between studying and going to class, the brothers enjoy showing their school spirit by supporting the social and athletic events of the college. The brothers also show creativity and school spirit during the Lion's Growl by performing a skit.



Above Joe Belcher does his duty by giving blood at Delta Kappa Theta's annual blood drive. Looks like he's paying the price too!



Below Delta Kappa Theta's current and alumni brothers get together during the Lion's Growl before they perform their winning skit



Left Two of the DKT pledges show their dedication by dressing up in the blood drive costumes. They might need a lesson in advertising correctly!

THETA CHI

Theta Chi national fraternity was founded April 10, 1856 in Norwich, Vermont. The Mars Hill chapter of Theta Chi, the Theta Omicron chapter, was founded on April 11, 1992. Throughout the year, Theta Chi raises money for many different organizations including: Helpmate, the Red Cross, and the Mars Hill Fire Department. Theta Chi strives to always "lend a helping hand."



Officers:

President- Matt Wilson

Vice President- Brian Carlstrom

Secretary- Matt Davis

Treasurer- Rob Taylor

Marshal- Nathan Galloway



Active Members:

Matt Wilson,
Rob Taylor,
Nathan Galloway
Brian Carlstrom,
Matt Davis

Right: Ray Bailey, Matt Wilson, Matt Davis, and Brian Carlstrom enjoy spending time together.





Left: Matt Davis and Matt Wilson pose for a picture before the Homecoming Parade.



Above: Matt Wilson and Brian Carlstrom take a moment to pose for a picture.

Left: Theta Chi show off their Homecoming Float coming down Hwy 213.

Zeta Chi Theta

Zeta Chi Theta was born in 1987. We are a unique group of individuals that are very involved in school, athletics, and the surrounding community. We do many service projects that are beneficial to the local community. We also sponsor Bounce-A-Thon every spring. All of the brothers plus alumni jump on a trampoline for 48 hours to raise money for Alzheimers.

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Right: Announcing Zeta Chi Theta's skit at the Lion's Growl during Homecomig week.





Left: The guys of Zeta Chi walking through the streets with their float during the Homecoming Parade.

Brothers:

Liam Andrews
 Josh Almond
 Zach Keister
 Adam Fosson
 Jackie Blankenship
 Montana Galyean
 John Johnson
 Zach Rome
 Ja Varous Wilson
 Micheal Wade
 Brandon Church

Advisor:

Mr. Aubrey Raper



Left: Showing off their spirit before the Homecoming Parade.



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Intramurals

Tiffany Kennedy, director of Intramurals, got this year's program off to a good start. Students had the opportunity to play up to ten different sports, including beach volleyball, disc golf, softball, soccer, ultimate frisbee, dodge ball, water polo, 3-on-3 basketball, badminton, and flag football. Each week in the fall was full of friendly and competitive games that will continue in the spring.



Above: Nicholas Boudreau and Sarah Thomas prepare a strategy before throwing their discs during disc golf week on the new course.



elow: Matt Davis and Kiya Griffin try
o confuse the other team while playing
ag football.



Matt Wilson (above) and Leah
Guild (below) go in for the kick
during soccer week.



Below: Nick Landers ponders where
the next ball might go, as well as
the runner, Joey Fusco.



Cheerleaders

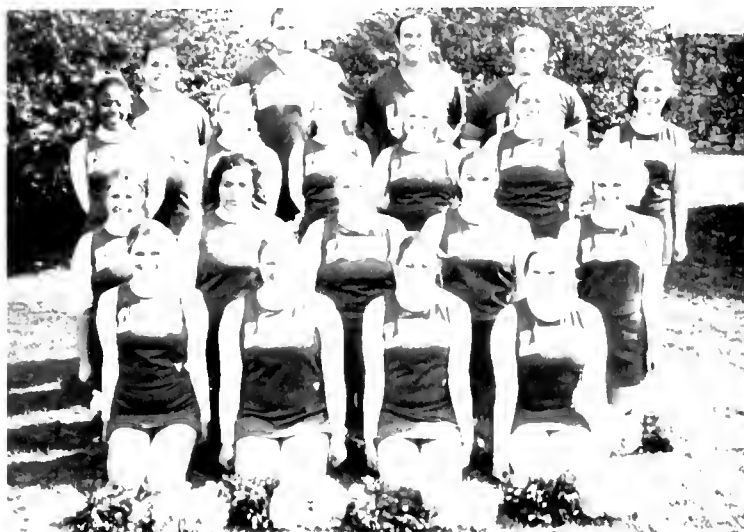
Unifying crowds and leading fans in cheers, the MHC cheerleaders promoted spirit during the football and basketball seasons of 2004-2005. As MHC Cheerleaders we strive to make our cheerleading program a reflection of our college and the great reputation Mars Hill has in the educational and athletic community. Being a MHC cheerleader is a wonderful and gratifying experience, but it is not easy and is not without its sacrifices. In being a member of this squad, the demand for time is high and requires a great deal of dedication. *The MHC Cheerleaders are more than just a team* in a sense, we are a family. We come together at the end of summer, for cheerleading camp, and have a mere two weeks to unify ourselves as a team and form long term friendships. When coming to the MHC Annual cheerleading camp, the squad soon realizes that as athletes in the cheerleading program all members of the team are expected to be in good physical and aerobic shape. A conditioning program is a daily part of practice, and random fitness tests are part of maintaining aerobic fitness. All members are expected to maintain a healthy level of fitness at all times, and any off-season conditioning programs are expected to be followed. Mars Hill's long time Cheerleading coach, Brenda McElreath is quoted as saying that "this year our number of cheerleaders tripled compared to last year and with that number came an amazing amount of individuals who have worked hard and achieved excellent goals, while gaining praise and recognition during a few short months." MHC Cheerleaders strive to uphold ideals and traditions of Mars Hill College as they aim to pursue the purpose of athleticism, community involvement, and various activities for the college.



Right: Cheerleaders perform a difficult pyрмаid during a home football game.

Below: Cheerleaders do push-ups every time MHC scores.





Left MHC Cheerleaders pose for a picture



Above: John Hoilman, Jackie Wach, and Brandie Griffith support Hannah Kowalczyk in a pyrmad before the Homecoming Parade

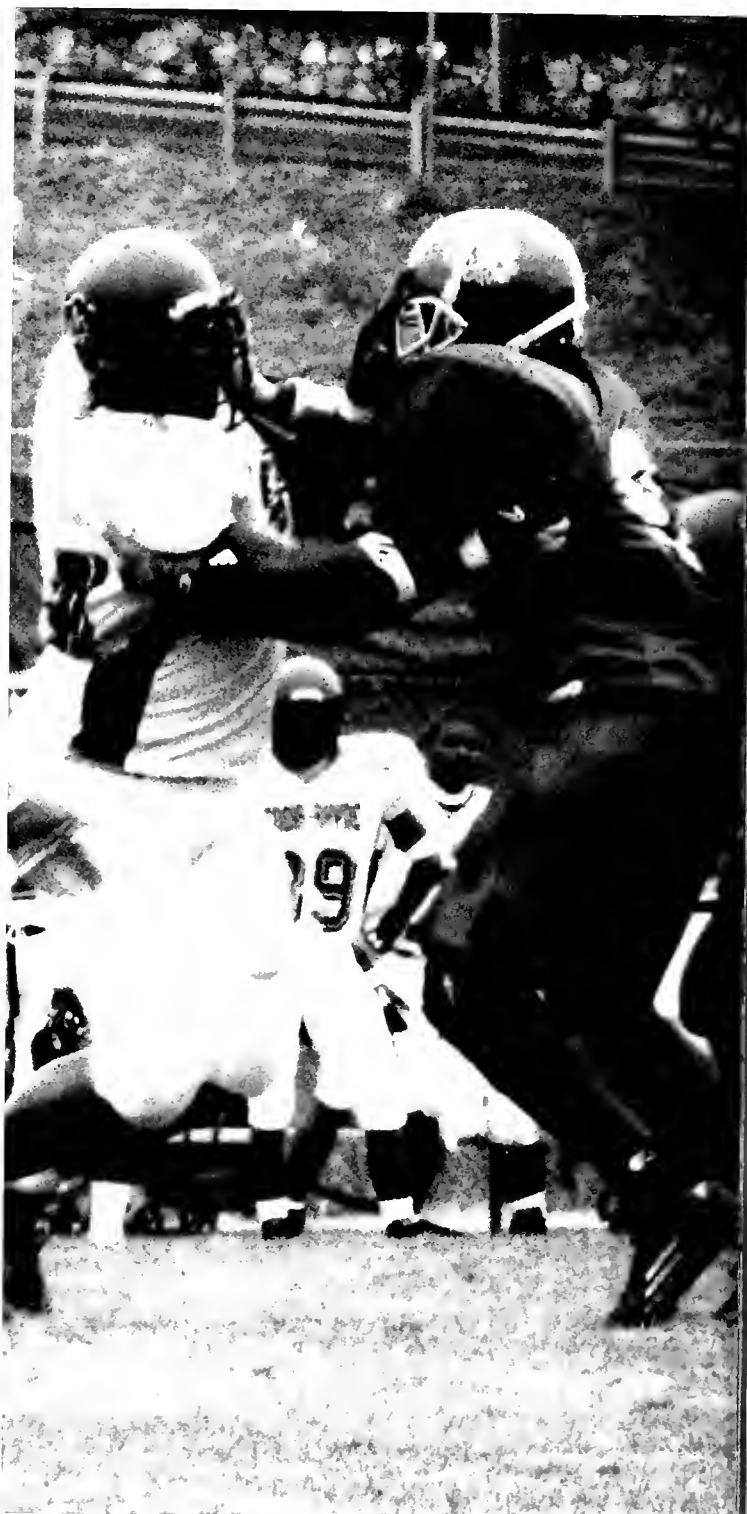


Left: Gary Newcomb, Matt Waisner, and John Hoilman make a little noise to help cheer on the crowd



Above: Brittney Fox pumps up the crowd with MHC spirit.

Left: Brandie Griffith, Brittney Fox, and Latoya Wells cheer on the crowd



Mars Hill Lion Football



Above: Prince Floyd and Greg Jordan lead the pack of Lions onto the field, ready to dominate.



2004 Statistics

Mars Hill-Opponent

Tusculum	14-30
Newberry	28-20
Presbyterian	20-13
Wingate	20-19
Lenoir -Rhyne	21-14
Catawba	44-21
Carson-Newman	37-24
UVa Wise	47-13
St. Augustine's	63-12
North Greenville	34-0

2004 All-SAC Football Teams

First Team

Offense

WR - Rod Dewalt, MH

RB - Antione Jones, MH

OL - Prince Floyd, MH

Defense

LB - Colby Simmons, MH

DB - JaQuan Winston, MH

Freshman of the Year

OFF: George Washington, MH

Second Team

Defense

DL - Anrae Fevrier, MH

DL - Larrick Womack, MH

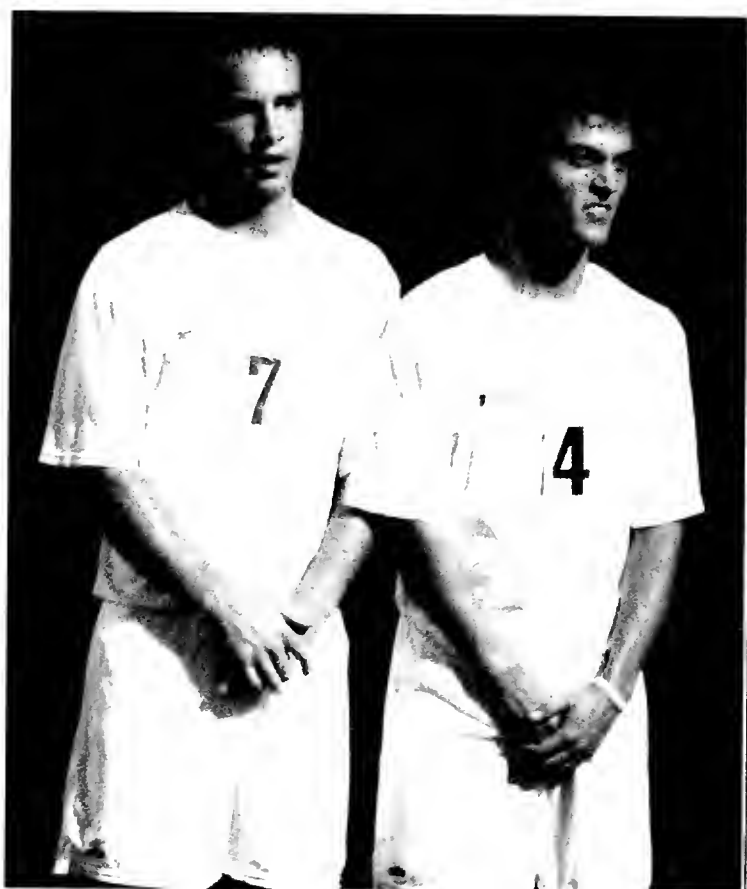
Right: Scott Nichols keeps running with an opponent not far behind.

Below: Daniel Waymont fakes out the opponent.



Above: Pressured for time, William Dolbeer throws the ball in quickly.

Right: Scott Nichols and Blake Collier block a shot from an intruding opponent.



Men's Soccer



Left: Ryan Minor and Brian Harmon discuss the team's next plan.

Below: Will Boyd dribbles the ball up the field.



2004 Statistics

Mars Hill-Opponent

St. Andrew's	1-4
Lincoln Memorial	0-6
Shepherd	1-3
Davis & Elkins	1-4
Pittsburg Johnston	3-2
Catawba	2-6
Lees-McRae	1-5
WVWC	1-0
Tusculum	0-3
North Greenville	1-2
Presbyterian	1-2
Carson-Newman	1-5
Queens	0-2
Newberry	2-3
Lenoir-Rhyne	2-1
Wingate	3-2
Erskine	4-0
Salem International	0-0
Catawba	0-7



Above: David Oesch hustles down the field.

Left: Blake Collier keeps his eyes on the ball.



Above: Gaelyn Byrnes moves quickly with the developing play.

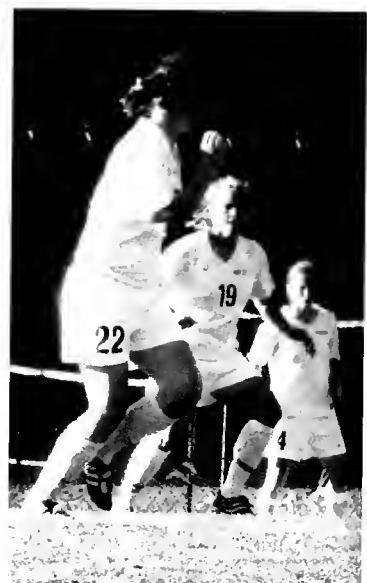
Right: Kristen Huppert fights for possession of the ball.



Above: Tara Carver and Becky Roa head down the field in attack.

Left: Jenna Towle runs back to midfield to set up once again.

Right: Bekah Bunch, Rachel Barcio, and Kristen Huppert supporting each other in their tasks.



WOMEN'S

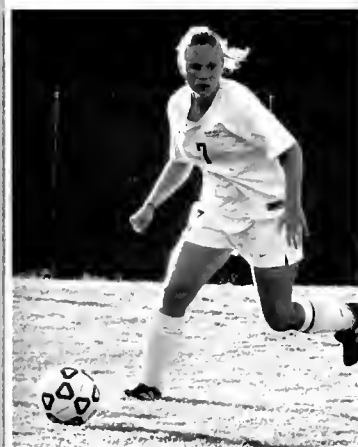
SOCCER



Above (left to right) :Cynthia Farlow, Ashley Eakins, and Claudia Cala working on the objectives.



Left:The team huddles one last time before the game. "TEAM" is what one hears as they take the field.



Above: Becky Roa megs her defender.

Left: Helen Brown races out of the defensive third in attack.

SCOREBOARD

St. Andrew 1-1
Lincoln Memorial 1-1
Belmont Abbey 1-0
Queens 2-1
Newberry 0-2
Tusculum 0-2
Lander 1-2
Catawba 0-1
UGA-Atlanta 0-2
North Greenville 1-1
Brevard 2-1
Concord 0-2
Monmouth 2-1
Presbyterian 2-1 DT
Anderson 1-2 DT
Carson Newman 0-1
Lenoir-Rhyne 0-2
Vanguard 1-1 DT



Not pictured, but certainly not forgotten, are two special members of the 2004 squad; Charity Hilterbrand and Natalie Kotowski. Both young women were fantastic goalkeepers and amazing people. We wish the best to Charity as she has been called to serve in Iraq, and to Natalie as she pursues her career in Athletic Training. We love them both!

Right: The team taking a few minutes to discuss strategies before the game.



Above and Right: Jeff Mayo at the plate.

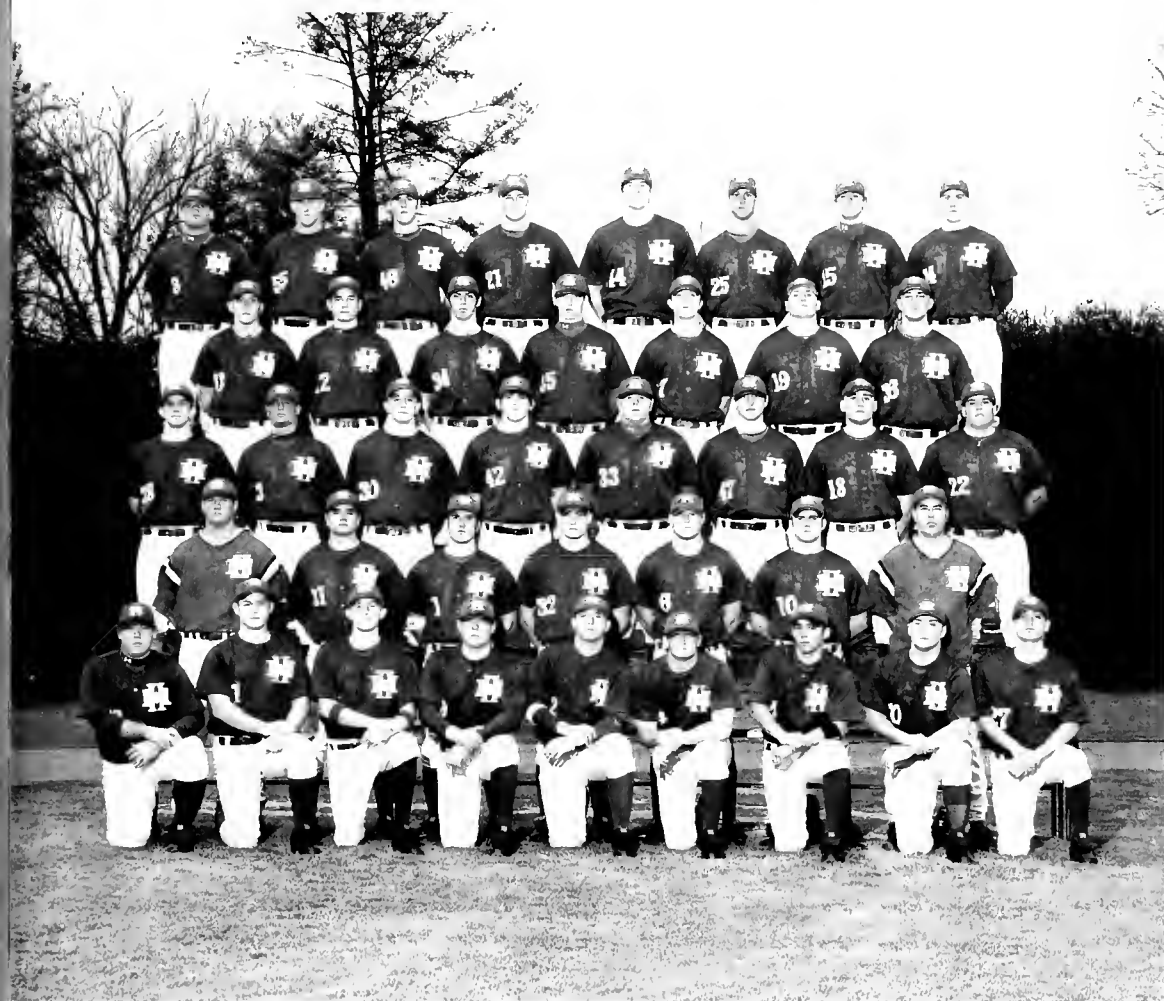
Far Right: Matt Carter ready to take a swing.

Bottom Right: Gary Lee throwing one of his fierce pitches.

Below: Matt Russell Joe Castagner down and ready for the next ball.



Men's Baseball



Top Row: Jeff Mayo, Brendan Blackwell, Nolan Sisk, Gordy Quillen, Aaron Corby, Adam Frydman, Gary Lee, Jeff Rockett

Forth Row: Jared McNeal, Nick Tracy, Calvin Teague, Nathan Fritz, Jason Yelton, Dan Race, Matt Russell

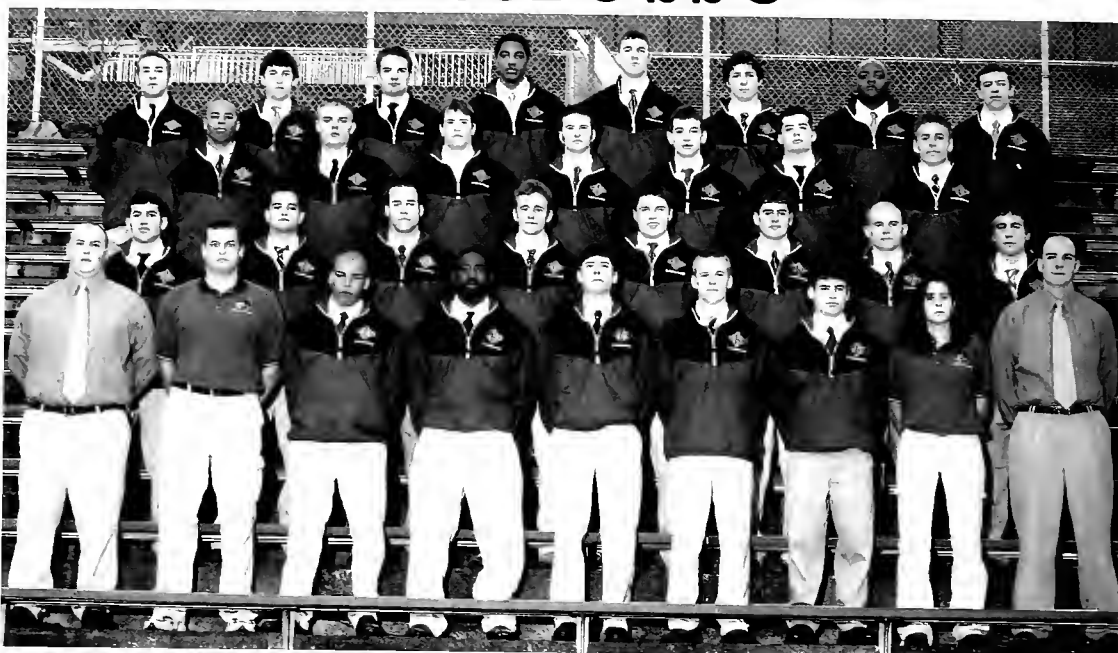
Third Row: Chris Lambert, Lane Strobel, Tyler Greene, Cody Branton, Ryan Huebbers, Jason Kennell, Chris Argano, Matt Carter

Second Row: Assistant Coach Matt Ward, Seth Graham, Chris O'Connor, Justin Boone, Brandon Seger, Dawson Plimpton, Head Coach Dan Taylor

Bottom Row: Ryan Smith, David DeSilva, James Dean, John Quail, Joe Castagner, Cory Moore, Dustin Kerley, Ryan Barnett

Not Pictured: Matt Hamilton

Lacrosse



Top Row: Manager Dan Miller, Matt Holthaus, Matthew DeCaire, James Wallace, Noah Baran, Kyle Worthley, Troy Jones, Micheal Wigdzinski

Third Row: Jack Riggins, Jason Lange, James Phelan, Lance Renes, Kellen Crouse, Anthony Triolo, Colbe Klein

Second Row: Vincent Giganti, Chris Bugbee, Dusty Poore, Chris Kingston, Andrew Chapman, John Gelinne, Ryson Pallante, John Ginter

Bottom Row: Coach Brian Anken, Trainer Micheal Hodges, Xavier Noel, Leroy Grant, Shane George, Parker Harrison, Miles Robinson, Megan O'Kelley, Assistant Coach Sean Humphreys



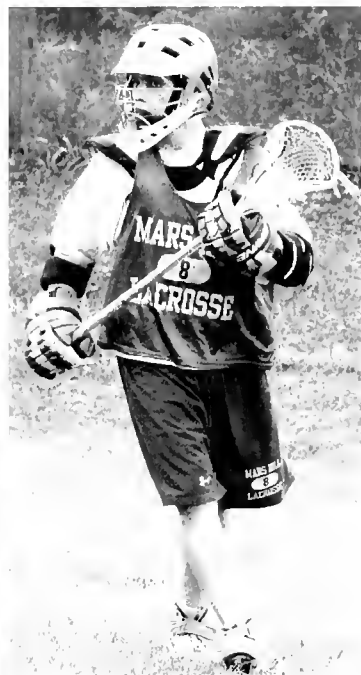
Above: Miles Robinson keeps his eyes on the goal.



Above: Taking a break to discuss strategies with seniors, Chris Bugbee and Chris Kingston.



Left: Mike Wigdzinski and Ryson Pallante keeping their eye on the ball.



Above: Miles Robinson looking for an open shot.



Right: John Ginter and Leroy Grant defend the goal.

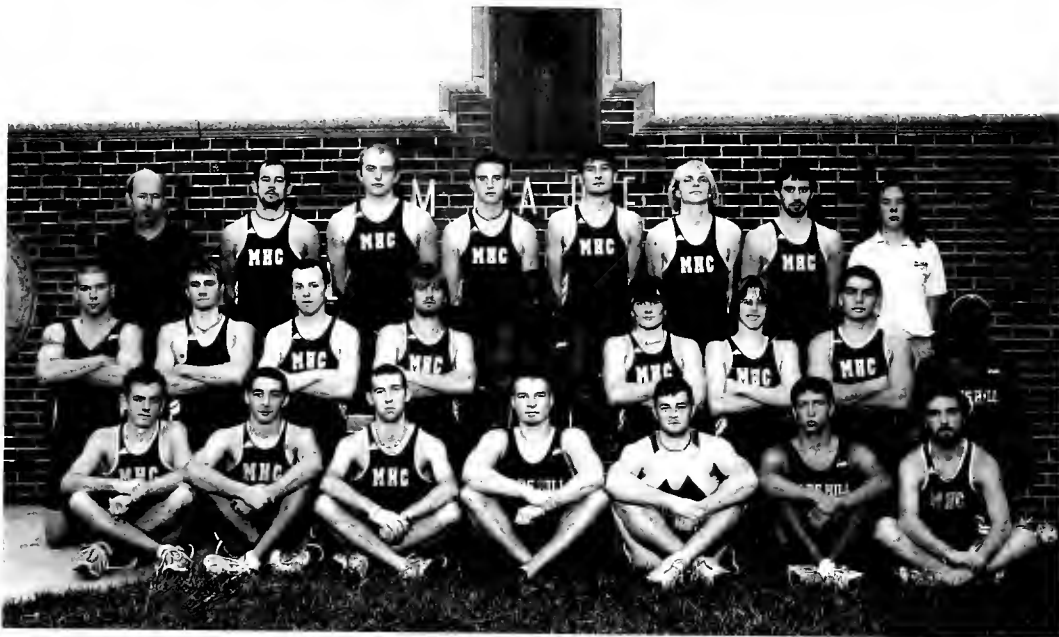


Far Right: Matt Holthaus, Shane George, and Lance Renes participating in a scrimmage at practice.



Right: Anthony Triolo and Ryson Pallante in a face-off at a late fall practice.

Men's Track & Field

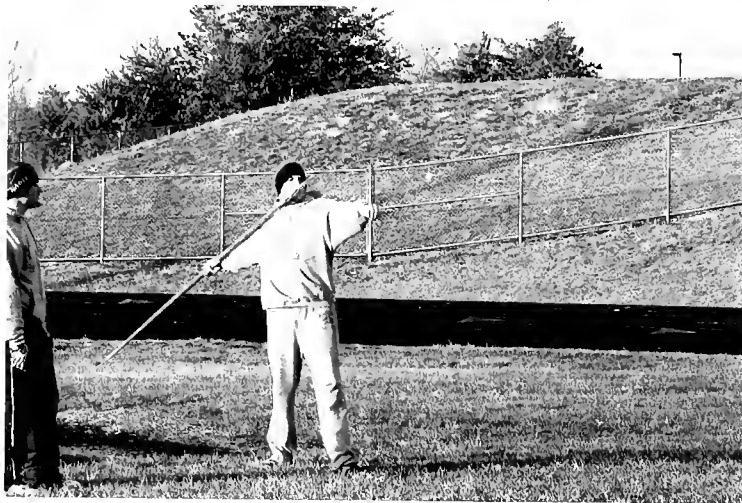


Back Row: Coach Mike Owens, Chris Rischke, John Lindala, Corey Simons, Dustin Whitlow, Jon Stoehr, Josh Wagner, Assistant Coach Stacy Mark

Middle Row: Mike Koch, Clinton Taylor, Elliott Austin, Craig Eckstein, Nick Landers, Tyler Wilkinson, William Mikolajczak, Bradley Nagel, Hollywood Jackson

Front Row: Lee Swanson, Andy Hobbs, Carson Byrd, Chris Sturgill, Nathan Galloway, Danny Dickinson, James Thompson

Not Pictured: Daniel Amick, Chris Hewitt, and William Thompson



Above: Chris Sturgill and Daniel Amick at an early spring track and field meet.

Women's Track & Field



Top Row: Coach Mike Owens, Felichia Jones, Holly Cable, Erin McKee, Tabatha Lee, Alex Welsh, Assistant Coach Stacy Mark

Middle Row: Rachel Retallick, Shaina Lewis, Anita Rainey, Miley White, Brittany Gendron, Elizabeth Head, Ashley McCauley

Front Row: Laura Cigger, Sarah Brandenberger, Lillie Hughes, Kate Prichard, Keely Hollahan, Monica Minter, Peaches Marquette

Not Pictured: Lindsay Roberts



Above: Peaches Little bundle up for a cold day at practice.



Above: Monica Minter and Sarah Brandenberger posing for a quick picture.

Below: Daniel Amick, Dustin Whitlow, Elliot Austin, Craig Eckstein, James Thompson, Corey Simons, and Jon Stoehr pose for their team champion photo at the Southeast Region meet.



Right: Daniel Amick winning in fine fashion at the DuPont Forest Invitational.



Above: Corey Simons at the start of the National meet.



Above: The Sea of Blue and Gold conquering all at the Southeast Region Meet.



Right: Both the mens' and womens' teams posed for their Southeast Region Champion photo.

Men's Cross Country

The men's cross country team continued their dominance of the South Atlantic Conference and Southeast Region by capturing their third consecutive SAC title as well as their third consecutive Southeast Region title. First team All-Conference runners were Craig Eckstein, Daniel Amick, Jon Stoehr, James Thompson, Elliot Austin, and Dustin Whitlow. Second team All-Conference were Corey Simons and Josh Wagner. Craig Eckstein captured the SAC Runner of Year for the second year in a row. Dustin Whitlow, Josh Wagner, Tyler Wilkinson, and Will Mikolajczak took four of the five All-Conference Freshman team spots with Dustin Whitlow earning the SAC Freshman of the Year award. The Southeast Region team was all blue and gold with Craig Eckstein, Daniel Amick, James Thompson, Jon Stoehr, Elliot Austin, Corey Simons, and Dustin Whitlow all earning All-Region honors. Coach Mike Owens continued his dominant coaching career by earning both the SAC Men's Coach of the Year and the Southeast Region Men's Coach of the Year. Mars Hill men's team garnered a 20th national ranking throughout the season.



Above: Mars Hill men's team invaded an invitational hosted by the University of Virginia.



Above: Jon Stoehr and Elliot Austin racing to All-Region honors.



Above: Hands in for the men's team before starting their race.



Above: Women's team praying together before they prepare to race.



Above: Ashley McCauley was surprised on her birthday by the Cross Country team.



Above: Keely and Ashley pose for a quick picture before a track meet.



Congratulations to the Women's Cross Country Team!

Women's Cross Country

The women's team turned in another strong season capturing their seventh SAC Championship and third straight Southeast Region Championship. That earned them a trip to the National Championship Meet in Evansville, Indiana. Along the way the ladies garnered numerous individual awards: Rachel Retallick, Kate Pritchard, and Tabatha Lee earned 1st Team All-SAC honors and Erin McKee and Ashley McCauley 2nd team. Brittany Gendron and Miley White were named to the SAC All-Freshman Team. Rachel brought home the SAC Scholar Athlete of the Year Award for the 2nd consecutive year.



Above: Cross Country girls pose for a picture.



On the Region level Rachel, Erin, and Kate were named to the All-Region Team. Six of the ladies earned Individual Academic All-American honors: Chelsea Haines, Tabatha Lee, Erin McKee (highest GPA in the nation), Ashley McCauley, Kate Pritchard, and Rachel Retallick. Also the ladies qualified for Team All-American honors for the ninth consecutive year. Coach Mike Owens was named the Southeast Region Coach of the Year.



Men's Basketball

This year the student body got so involved with the basketball games that they became known as the sixth man. They cheered on the basketball teams, lifting their spirits and pushing them towards victory.

Right: Jamison McIver on the free throw line.



Above: Shawn Kimble holds the opponent at the top of the key.

Far Right: Jamison McIver, Jeremiah Tinch, and Kirby Lee on defense.



Right: Stephano Jackson taking the ball down the court.





Far Left: Kirby Lee checking out the score and the time remaining while waiting to defend the basket.

Left: Walt Baxley looking for an open teammate.



Above: Chris Aline and Walt Baxley defending the basket.



Left: Taking a time out to discuss future plays with Coach Rogers.

Far Right: Abby DeBusk taking the ball down the court while contemplating the next play.

Right: Jessica Blanford looking for an open teammate to throw the ball to.



Above: Hoping for an open shot, Lindsey Jones tries to fake out the defender.

Right: MHC women defending the basket from the intruding opponent.



Women's Basketball



Left: Jessica Blanford boxing out for the rebound



Above: Crystal Davis drives in for the basket.



Far Left: Taking a time out and dismissing with a motivating yell for all the fans to hear.



Left: Allison Schafer shoots from the three point line.

Women's Softball



Above and Below: Hanging out on the pre-season camping trip.



Above and Below: Playing some ball.





Top Row: Tiffany Self, Kristi Marszalec, Lyn Loomis, Jennifer Boren, Lindsay Hert, Felicia Holder, Ramona Mendez.

Third Row: Courtney Kline, Amy Whitley, Jenna Pender, Patti Denny, Cassie Moore, Tessa Aashwell.

Second Row: Amanda Tomlinson, Robin Kennel (Trainer), Coach Flynn, Coach Gillum, Coach Blanton, Nancy Ammons (Trainer), Jessica Valentine.

Bottom Row: Tiffany Crisp, Carissa Rice, Kristina Osborn, Leslie Gray, Amber Maynard, Danielle Gleeson.

SENIORS



No Excuses!



Above: Jennifer Johnson serving the ball.

Right: Captain Sarah Nash prepares to receive the ball.

Below: Cara Crouse and Jennifer Johnson keep their eyes on the opponent while mentally preparing to spike.



Volleyball



Left: The front row defenders preparing to receive the ball.

Scoreboard

Carson-Newman	0-3
Tusculum	3-1
Presbyterian	0-3
Wingate	0-3
Catawba	0-3
Presbyterian	0-3
Newberry	0-3
Lenoir-Rhyne	0-3
Livingstone	3-0
Newberry	3-0
Tusculum	3-0
Carson-Newman	3-2
Wingate	0-3
Catawba	1-3
Lenoir-Rhyne	0-3
Carson-Newman.....	0-3



Left: Teammates motivate each other with a cheer before and throughout the game.



Left: Members line up before the game for the playing of the national anthem and game announcements.

Women's Tennis



Above: Rachel Hall, Nancy Gruber, Coach Tom Schrecengost, Maranda Dellinger, Whitney Stroud, Brandy Hebert



Above: Jenny Rogers, Rachel Hall, and Brandy Hebert practice hard before the up and coming matches.



Above: Whitney Stroud having fun even when she is practicing.

Top Left: Maranda Dellinger prepares to make the return.



Above: The team takes a break to discuss techniques for the future match.

Left: Nancy Gruber watches the ball closely.

Right: Ross DiLorento and Drew Belton waiting on their opponents.



Above: John Allen into his back-swing.

Far Right: Oscar Gomez making the return.

Right: Joel Vanderhorst watching the ball closely.



MEN'S TENNIS



Back row: John Allen, Spencer Hiscox, Joel Vanderhorst, Coach Tom Schrecengost,
Diago Rodriguez DeMaro, Ross DiLorento, Rom Teague
Front Row: Oscar Gomez, Drew Belton, Bobby Roddy



Above: Diago Rodriguez DeMarzo, Bobby Roddy, and Rom Teague working hard to make the return.



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The yearbook staff hopes that you end the year with new **pawprints** in your life.



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I would like to thank Sam and Janet Bingham and the yearbook staff for helping this book turn from a blueprint into a pawprint.

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Not pictured:
Cindy Farlow



